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NATO AMBASSADOR NICHOLAS BURNS '78



# Diplomatic missions

“Now, I wonder what he meant by that.”—*Metternich, on being informed of the death of a rival diplomat on the eve of the Congress of Vienna*

I’ve been searching the Web for an institution that honors diplomats—a diplomat’s hall of fame, if you will—and it’s been tough going. I’ve turned up halls of fame for dentists and chambers of commerce that count diplomacy among the characteristics required of inductees. I’ve found college sports halls of fame that recount exploits accomplished against the “Diplomats” of Franklin & Marshall. And I’ve turned up rival halls of fame for players of a board game called “Diplomacy.” But it appears that no set of town or city fathers has yet determined to build The Diplomacy Hall of Fame (“And unwind at the end of your tour with an aperitif in the Richelieu Cafe!”) as a way to return traffic to Main Street.

It’s probably just as well. However essential diplomats are to the proper management of the world, their credit card receipts, boiled shirtfronts, nibbled pencils, top hats, liver pills, and other memorabilia of suasion, cunning, resolution, and patience are hardly likely to draw the kind of crowds that the National Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame regularly brings to Hayward, Wisconsin, for example.

This is not to say that diplomatic lives are necessarily dull and unheroic, but that they are necessarily hidden. Successful diplomacy—whether it’s being practiced by Raul Wallenberg or von Ribbentrop—depends precisely on avoiding the transparent celebrity that is the natural right of pioneering oral surgeons, businessmen of the year, and the man who pickled a muskie in a Jim Beam bottle.

Machiavelli, who is said to have invented modern diplomacy in his “Advice to Raffaello Girolami When He Went As Ambassador To the Emperor,” there instructs his protégé to study the local prince well, to listen to gossip, to keep his own counsel, to send frequent reports, to host “banquets and entertainments,” to find ways to make repeated information in those frequent reports seem fresh, and should the need arise “to conceal a fact with words, [to] do it in such a way that it does not become known or, if it does become known, that you have a ready and quick defense.”

This is not a role to be played by Clint Eastwood, but Henry Kissinger; not Russell Crowe, but George Kennan, the real-life exemplary diplomat who conceived the West’s containment policy toward the Soviet Union in a celebrated 1947 *Foreign Affairs* article under the *nom de plume* “X,” a renaming so self-effacing that it may constitute the consum-

mate diplomatic act.

Kennan would certainly be in my Diplomacy Hall of Fame, and not simply because containment worked, but because he wrote only one memoir and it’s well done—striking oddities in diplomatic self-account. George Marshall would be there, too, for saving Europe; and Raul Wallenberg, Angelo Cardinal Roncalli, and Chiune Sugihara, for saving lives. And I’d find a place for Talleyrand, because whatever his (many) faults, attention must be paid to a man who survived diplomatic service under six successive French tyrannies, including the revolution, Napoleon, and the Bourbon restoration. (Once asked who was winning a battle in the streets of Paris, Talleyrand replied, “We are.” “But who are ‘we’?” an aide countered. “That I shall tell you tomorrow,” said the ever-discreet Talleyrand.)

And finally Dag Hammarskjöld, the U.N. secretary general who is less well known today for his distinguished diplomatic career than for his diary—“a sort of white book concerning my negotiations with myself—and with God,” was the way Hammarskjöld referred to it. Posthumously published (Hammarskjöld died in a plane crash in the war-torn Congo in 1961), *Markings* earned its late author comparisons with Pascal and Kierkegaard, sold 450,000 copies in 18 months, and has been reprinted so many times that Knopf no longer keeps count of editions.

A slim, even anorexic, volume, *Markings* is the kind of work—tense, puzzling, pained, overwrought—that you’d expect from a lonely, driven, and often exhausted admirer of early Christian mystics, a man who made a moral point of apologizing if eloquence inadvertently crept into his expressions of diplomacy by day, and who wrote to God at night if he had the strength. *Markings* was a slog when I picked it up in 1964, and it’s a slog today, maybe one of those best-sellers that are bought not to be read but because the purchase of them brings the soul some comfort.

Whether this is so doesn’t matter. Nor does it seem to matter at this date whether Hammarskjöld was the martyr to peace that he was made out to be after his death shocked the world. (He received a posthumous Nobel.) What gets him into my Hall in any event is that he carried two books to the Congo, and they were Martin Buber’s *I and Thou* and Thomas a Kempis’s *Imitation of Christ*. In Leopoldville, he had them at his bedside, where any chambermaid could have seen them and seen who he really was. Talk about indiscreet.

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CRISIS RESPONSE

Your special issue on the crisis in the Church [Fall 2002] was excellent, especially the article by Kenneth Woodward, "In Crisis Comes Opportunity."

Like Woodward, I want a disciplined discussion of the big issues. As a lifelong professional social scientist, I oppose ordaining women and married men, for reasons that are "sociologically compelling." After witnessing the drastic decline of mainline Protestant denominations, I hesitate to reject clerical celibacy. And over the past 30 years, I have been close enough to several local Protestant leaders to observe the way that strong policy controls by church boards of politically conservative laymen have rendered more liberal pastors impotent.

About the inadequacies of our priests as lecturers, I disagree with Woodward. In a small parish in the non-Catholic South, I am fascinated by the tenacity of the faithful. At an age when I have learned to listen fiercely to the words of the daily gospel and to attend carefully to the Mass, I have come to depend upon insightful homilies by humble priests who seem to speak from superior minds, hearts, and lives.

Thank you. I envy you all the opportunity to discuss these issues in this forum.

JOHN J. MACDOUGALL '53

*Huntsville, Alabama*

*Editor's note: For those who cannot attend Church in the 21st Century events in person, Boston College provides video and audio webcasts of many presentations at no charge. To peruse the sizeable*

*and growing archive of recorded events posted for viewing on-line, go to [www.bc.edu/church21](http://www.bc.edu/church21).*

In "First Night" [Fall 2002], Richard Higgins reports that Jack Connors, Jr. '63 "offered Boston College's evolution into a largely lay-administered university that nevertheless remains Catholic in identity and mission as an example for the broader Church."

If the whole Church were to be run the way Boston College has been run, traditional Catholic teaching would be presented on an equal footing with every other philosophy in the world—attacked, criticized, and routinely declared inferior to, say, Marxism. The Ten Commandments would have to be replaced by the Ten Norms of Political Correctness. Criticizing a protected group would result in immediate excommunication.

The Pope would be a mostly powerless, fundraising, handshaking figurehead, and the Church would be run by an unelected council of laypeople.

And a large percentage of Church revenue would have to be expended in the support of a truly first-class Vatican athletics program.

TONY SCHIAVO '93

*Cherry Hill, New Jersey*

Praise for the casting off onto a sea of troubles in Conte Forum ["First Night," Fall 2002]. Christians have not fared well in forums.

It's not for me to offer a solution to the prevailing hierarchic and hieratic hubris, nor to tame the bureaucratic beast "in ecclesia." On a fraternal note, savor Thomas

Aquinas on fraternal correction: "Note that when danger to the faith is imminent, then superiors can be admonished by subordinates, even through public argument."

"See how these Christians love one another?"

NORMAN J. WELLS '50

*Professor Emeritus, Philosophy*

The crisis in the Catholic Church is not about sexual abuse. This "crisis," like a cancer, has been festering for a long time. The purpose of the Church, like Christ's own ministry, is to be a guide for those who are willing to do what they know is right. In order to provide this spiritual guidance, the Church must be led by individuals who have been willing to make this rare journey themselves. Without them, there is no Church.

To say that the Church is a democracy that should be guided by laypeople is to validate the failed mission of the Church. Can you imagine the crowds telling Jesus how to run his ministry?

One does not need an organized Church in order to do what is right. Yet a true community can be of great benefit. Many today, including the young, are turning away from the Church, for the simple fact that it has no power—no power to help them in their daily struggles, no power to overcome the problems in their lives. To see that the Catholic Church had no power to protect itself from the influences of evil was no surprise.

Start with your own life. Take one moment at a time and do what you know is right. Your transformation



will follow. When you change, your community will also change.

MARTIN DROZ '76  
*Temple City, California*

In his survey of recent books on the clerical sexual abuse scandals ["Divisions of the Faithful," Fall 2002] Charles R. Morris tips his hand early on. Mr. Morris has arranged his bedside reading in two orderly piles as the stacks conveniently "break roughly along 'conservative' . . . and 'liberal' lines." No need to wonder which line of critical analysis occupies the higher moral ground. It's the conservatives, in Mr. Morris's view, who "strikingly and refreshingly . . . tend to be much tougher on

the failures of the bishops." Their failure to do what? To address the "lavender clerical subcultures" that they have allowed to "flourish within their seminaries and priestly communities."

The implication that homosexuality and pedophilia are inextricably linked, the one inevitably leading to the other, is as offensive as it is baseless. The Right (those refreshing conservatives) has had a field day dispensing this particularly insidious brand of disinformation.

Let's be clear, the sexual abuse scandal engulfing the Church is about pedophilia, not homosexuality.

ROBERT J. KANE '71  
*Granby, Connecticut*

#### REPUTATIONS

Re "Fighting Words," by Seth Jacobs, in your Summer 2002 issue: I remember standing on the bow of the USS *Henrico* as a young ensign in early 1961, while work was being done on the anchor chain in preparation for a seven-month tour to the Far East. Dr. Tom Dooley's name was brought up somehow, and I remarked that I was reading his book *Deliver Us From Evil*.

The first-class bos'n in charge replied that he had served with Dooley in the early 1950s. When I mentioned the rumors of Dooley's sexual orientation his reply was: "What does that have to do with his good works?"

His respect and admiration

for the man were supremely evident.

ERNIE GULLA '60  
*Modesto, California*

In rereading the letters on Dr. Tom Dooley in the Fall 2002 issue, I wondered why I had not written one myself. I met Dooley in Laos and was aware of his CIA connections. We in the American Embassy, whom he belittled, were very skeptical about his efforts in opening a small medical center in northern Laos, more aptly described as a first aid station.

We felt at the time, and I still do today, that any effort to improve public health in Laos should have been made



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on the national level, where it would have reached many more people, rather than in the isolated and distant north, an area that was of interest to the CIA.

When I served in Laos, in 1954-56, there was only one European-trained doctor in the whole country, and he was the Minister of Health. Half the newborns died during their first year, and the average life expectancy was about 40 years.

Tom Dooley would have achieved more if he had done something to improve those statistics, rather than satisfying his own ego by helping a few people in the mountains of northern Laos.

YALE RICHMOND '43  
*Washington, D.C.*

#### SHELF SPACE

Larry Wolff's article "Shelf Life" [Summer 2002] was a delightful ode to libraries. However, I have to take exception to points made about the San Francisco Public Library's hasty weeding of books: An article in the June 2001 issue of *Library Journal* listed the problems in San Francisco, and chief among them was moving into a new central library that had less shelf space. That is a rarity.

As for discarding old newspapers: Librarians use interlibrary loan tools such as the Online Computer Library Center database first to be sure that an original issue exists at another institution. While most agree that looking through an old newspaper is more enjoyable, there are certain advantages to preserving historical materials on mi-

crofilm: It saves wear and tear on fragile newsprint, and the microfilm can last 50 to 75 years. Microfilm also copies easily and stores compactly.

As a professional public librarian and a former archivist, I am keenly aware of the differences between research or academic libraries and public libraries. One distinct difference is that public libraries do regularly and systematically "deaccession," or weed materials off their shelves—as a professional responsibility—in order to make room for books that will suit the changing information and diversion needs of their clientele.

This is an accepted practice, and it is taught at library and information schools throughout the United States. Books are deaccessioned because of their condition or outdated information; because there are duplicate copies in the library; or because a particular book simply does not leave the shelf and has little or no enduring value.

I work at a branch library within the Austin public library system. It's a small storefront location that holds fewer than 40,000 volumes. The branch librarian and I routinely weed books so that we can accommodate others we have ordered.

Historical collections, on the other hand, rarely deaccession. And the analogy of the San Francisco library does not necessarily fit with the mission of such esteemed institutions as the Widener Library at Harvard or the Bapst Library at BC.

MICHAEL ABRAMOV MA'92  
*Austin, Texas*

#### RIVALRY RAID

I'm sorry to contradict the article by Kilian Betlach ["Off the Wall"] that appeared in the Summer 2002 issue. I came to Boston College in the fall of 1969, and the writing on Gasson Hall had already been there for some time. ROTC was removed in 1970 or 1971, so Betlach's protest theory doesn't add up.

During my freshman year, I was told by my RA (a first year law student who had just graduated from Holy Cross) that the defilement had come at the hands of Holy Cross seniors the night before our big rivalry game in 1967 or 1968. That was later confirmed by my brother-in-law, Richard C. Mahony '69.

THOMAS S. HERMES '73  
*Winnetka, Illinois*

#### MCNALLY RECALLED

I read with great sadness of Professor Raymond McNally's death. I had the great good fortune of taking a number of classes with him during the late 1960s and early 1970s, including European history and especially several classes in Russian history. Although he was a teacher of magnificent generosity, charm, and intellectual breadth, I remember him most for his sense of drama and theatricality.

In those days, he wore his hair rather long and flowing (although not as long or flowing as most of his students did), and he wore a black cape to class.

McNally would enter the lecture hall with a flair, striding down the steps to the stage with his cape flying out behind him. Then, with a

flourish he would spin, remove the cape, and lay it over a chair. All of this telegraphed his fascination with Dracula and Dracula's real-life counterpart, Vlad the Impaler, a subject he researched and wrote about with his BC colleague Dr. Radu Florescu.

Several years ago, when my then 13-year-old son had to write a history paper, I showed him their book *In Search of Dracula*, and suggested that he read it. In the process of being fascinated, he learned a great deal about medieval history, the fall of Constantinople, and the rise of the Ottoman Empire. Not a bad legacy for a truly dedicated teacher of history.

DAVID G. POWER '72  
*Belmont, Massachusetts*

*Editor's note: Boston College English professor Carlo Rotella's Good with Their Hands: Boxers, Bluesmen, and Other Characters from the Rustbelt has been published by the University of California Press. Rotella's article on women's boxing, "Get Bnsy, Girlfriend," in BCM Winter 2002, was drawn in part from this book.*

*Also, Against Consolation, by Robert Cording, Ph.D. '77, has been published by CarvanKerry Press. Cording's collection includes the poem "Pause: (for Robert)," which appeared in BCM's Spring 1999 issue.*

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LEE PELLEGRINI

Home economics: Professor Catherine Schneider in her kitchen with the students of Economics 234

# Meal plan

## A&S PROGRAM BRINGS STUDENTS AND FACULTY TO THE TABLE

Hobbes peered mournfully past his scratch-preventing collar, wondering why his food dish had been placed in the basement, and why dinner for 10 Boston College students was suddenly more important than his own. Little did the sad-eyed cat realize his importance. A pet—along with a teenager studying upstairs and a meal that hadn't been zapped in a microwave or rolled out on a cafeteria cart—represents something many university students miss from time to time: the warmth of a home. So when economics professor Catherine Schneider invited the students from her “Economics



and Catholic Social Teaching” class over for dinner, they all showed up. Some were hungrier than others, for both food and conversation, some more comfortable than others in the uncharted territory of a professor’s home. But all were primed to view a lesser-known specimen of the university: the professor as human.

“Many students come in with sort of unbridled respect for professors, to some extent awe,” says psychology associate professor Michael Moore, who regularly invites his freshman seminar students to his house on Cape Cod. “Between the respect and the awe you get distance—it tends to make professors a little less like people. But when I plod along on the beach with them in my baggy swimsuit and talk about how few fish I catch, it tends to make me more accessible.”

The barbecued chicken served by Moore and the lasagna, turkey, and apple crisp that Schneider placed on her Newton dining room table are considered important enough to be subsidized by the College of Arts and Sciences. Encouraging faculty-student interaction was a priority when Joseph Quinn took over as dean about three years ago. He remembered when his economics professor at Amherst College invited a class to his home. “It was terrific to see the professor in a setting with children and dogs,” he recalls. “It was nice to see the rest of the story.”

When Quinn taught economics at BC, he too invited small classes to dinner, realizing that the benefits often leaned more toward the emotional than the academic. “A

lot of students had younger siblings whom they missed,” he says. “To come to a house where a couple of kids were running around was really neat.”

The A&S subsidies, which reimburse professors up to \$150 per semester, caught on quickly. In 2000, the program’s first year, 47 faculty dinners attracted 709 students; 1,055 students attended 78 dinners in 2001. And in 2002, some 2,470 students dined with their professors on 134 separate occasions. Even as increasing numbers apply for the subsidies, says Quinn, “there’s a tremendous return on what really is quite little money.”

In some cases, the program planted an idea with faculty who hadn’t thought of entertaining students before. In others, the fund subsidized what professors previously had carried out on their own. Moore, who has been at BC for 26 years, has long invited his students home or on fishing trips. When he first taught the freshman “Courage to Know” seminar, part of the Cornerstone program, he searched for a way to connect with 16 freshmen who would not only be his students, but also his advisees. He invited the class to the Cape and announced one rule: Discussion of the course was not permitted. The students arrived in the morning and spent the day canoeing, kayaking, and playing pool in the rec room. Around 4:00 P.M. came the now traditional cookout: chicken, burgers, hot dogs, baked beans, and homemade potato salad. A couple of students during last fall’s trip couldn’t resist calling friends on their cell phones. “Guess

where I am?” Moore overheard more than one asking.

The psychology professor stresses that the day is simply a way to relax—no lofty objectives, no working toward a sea change in the classroom dynamic. “Forget goals,” he says. “It is really a nice day.”

IN PROFESSOR Schneider’s Newton home, the class sat around the living room coffee table, munching appetizers: tortilla chips with guacamole, cheese and crackers, and quesadillas that Schneider’s husband, Bob, had turned out in the kitchen. Most had traded sweatshirts for nicer sweaters; the lone boy in the class had rustled up a buttoned business shirt for the occasion.

Talk took root tentatively, about Schneider’s son at Carnegie Mellon University, about the interests of the high schooler studying upstairs. Then dead silence, broken by Schneider’s comment about a recent BC football game. Suddenly, chatter broke out in small groups, and one student mustered the gumption to ask another about her decision to become a nun.

Though the conversation needed occasional nudging by Schneider, it moved from dorm life to study abroad to how Schneider met her husband (they attended Middlebury College together). As the students ate their lasagna, Schneider recalled what lasagna dinners were like when her college-age son Christopher, a cross-country runner, was still at home. She, her husband, and their younger son would each have a piece, while Christopher finished off the

pan. The students, some of whom had left parents with empty nests, nodded in understanding. “My mom doesn’t even go to the grocery store anymore,” said one.

Most of Schneider’s guests had never been invited to a professor’s home, but for Nina Suryoutomo, a senior economics major from Fremont, California, this was her fourth time dining with faculty. Two meals had been held in homes; one was prepared by students in a dorm kitchen; and one took place at a restaurant in Chinatown. Under the A&S program, menus and location are at the professor’s discretion, though alcohol is not allowed (undergrads may be under age). Schneider has hosted two other dinners with another professor, but this was her first solo effort.

“This is the healthiest I’ve eaten in a long time,” said Tanya Kilabuk, a junior economics major from Jacksonville, Florida, during dinner.

“I’ll tell you what, we’ll pack it up in little doggie bags,” Schneider replied.

During dessert, an emboldened Kilabuk had an announcement: “I’d just like to say that the apple crisp was fabulous. And I’d like first dibs on any leftovers.”

Sure enough, out came the tinfoil and plastic wrap, and Kilabuk and her cohorts dished up doggie bags for late-night snacks and roommates. No one went hungry, not even Hobbes, who had persuaded Mr. Schneider to serve his dinner, as usual, in the kitchen.

*Gail Friedman*

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# FIELD GOALS

## University expands Middle Eastern Studies



Psychologist Ali Banuazizi (left) and historian Benjamin Braude

Aided by a \$160,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education, Boston College has begun a major project to revamp its Middle Eastern Studies minor. The new course of study is called the Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies Program, and it offers an expanded and growing list of classes in disciplines ranging from history to theology to fine arts.

Faculty from seven humanities and social sciences departments have been involved in the planning, which began several years ago. New elements of the program include a language component; courses on the Islamic world beyond the Middle East; and a series of seminars for freshmen that will explore aspects of Islamic culture in depth. The program

will also sponsor a lecture series open to the University community.

Courses in Arabic debuted in the fall, with more than 40 students registering for the introductory class—enough to warrant an additional section. An intermediate-level course will be offered next year for students who wish to continue.

Starting in the spring and continuing next fall, several new classes in Islamic culture will be offered. Project codirectors Ali Banuazizi, a professor of psychology, and Benjamin Braude, a professor of history, led a faculty development committee that helped design the curricula. Among the new courses are “Islamic Political Philosophy,” taught by political science professor Nasser Behnegar; “Muslim

Women’s Writing,” taught by associate professor of English Kalpana Seshadri-Crooks; “Good and Evil in Islam, Christianity, and Judaism,” taught by honors professor Marty Cohen; and “Islam in South Asia,” cotaught by history professor Prasannan Parthasarathi and theologian Qamar-ul Huda.

Jonathan Bloom, coholder (with wife Sheila Blair) of the Norma Jean Calderwood University Professorship in Islamic and Asian Art, inaugurated the freshman seminar series in September with “Jerusalem.” The class (one of four freshman seminars planned) explored the art and religious and political history of the Holy City, from the perspectives of Islam, Judaism, and Christianity.

*Tim Heffernan*

### SABRE RATTLERS

The BC Fulton Debating Society, ranked among the top five teams in the nation, earned its first-ever victory in the annual West Point invitational tournament in November. Coached by program director John Katsulas, the team beat out more than 100 opponents, including past champion Cornell University, to take home the silver sabre trophy.

### RETIREMENT FUND

The Center for Retirement Research (CRR) at Boston College has received the final installment of an \$8.654 million Social Security Administration grant to promote ongoing research on retirement issues. The total represents a 65 percent increase over the initial grant of \$5.25 million. The CRR was founded in 1998, along with affiliates at MIT, Syracuse University, the Brookings Institution, and the Urban Institute. Its director is Alicia Munnell, Peter F. Drucker Professor of Management Sciences.

### BIOLOGY TWO

The A&S Educational Policy Committee has approved a new bachelor of arts in biology to complement the existing bachelor of science. The BA has fewer requirements in chemistry, physics, and math, and it accepts non-departmental electives in such fields as paleontology and environmental law. Meanwhile, computer science majors, once limited to a BA, may now choose to pursue a BS, through more extensive course work in their department and in math and science.

### ELECTRIC ODES

McIntyre Professor of English J. Robert Barth, SJ, has released his second CD, *English Romantic Poetry*. Sales will benefit Burns Library. To hear samples or order copies from the BC Bookstore, visit the Full Story at [www.bc.edu/bcm](http://www.bc.edu/bcm)



# Measure for measure

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by Séamus Connolly and Laurel Martin  
Mel Bay Publications; 132 pp., \$24.95

By the time he was 30, Séamus Connolly was one of Ireland's most renowned fiddlers, winning 10 consecutive Irish National Fiddle Championships (a feat unequaled before or since) and the even more prestigious Fiddler of Dooney competition. These days he is director of music, song, and dance in Boston College's Irish Studies program. He arranges music classes and concerts, oversees the University's vast Irish music archives, and organizes the annual Gaelic Roots Summer School and Festival, to which people travel from all over the world—even Ireland—to learn from master players.

On most Tuesday evenings Connolly and Laurel Martin, adjunct professor of Irish music, teach Irish fiddle classes at BC, and it was in that experience that the seeds were sown for their book *Forget Me Not: A Collection of 50 Memorable Traditional Irish Tunes*. In a quiet, folksy way, it is a revolutionary book.

Like all folk forms, Irish traditional music is learned primarily by ear, aurally transmitted from generation to generation, player to player. Certain melodic structures form the basis of a tune, to which each musician then brings his or her own stylistic filigree—trills, bowing variations, and other ornamentation. These improvisatory elements are difficult to teach to young students, especially those accustomed to sight-reading. Connolly found that the available transcriptions often failed to distinguish between the core melody and the ornamentation laid upon it. So, in their book, he and Martin opted to provide two versions of each tune—the unadorned version on one page and an ornamented version opposite.

"If you go from measure to measure, comparing the unadorned version with the other one," Connolly says, "you can see exactly how ornamentation is intended to be used. A certain note will be, say, a quarter-note in the unadorned melody. When played with ornamentation, it becomes two eighth-notes, or a triplet. But it occupies the same quarter-note space in the melody. That can be the hardest thing to teach."

Two CDs included with the book give the same juxtaposition, giving the melodies first in their simplest form and



Laurel Martin and Séamus Connolly

then laced with the embellishments that are such an important element in how traditional Irish music is played. The tunes were all taught to Connolly by the older Irish players he knew as a young man in County Clare. He selected tunes that were easy to learn, and in keys that all Irish music instruments could play, so that families or groups of friends could learn them together.

"The difficulty in writing down Irish traditional music is that you cannot put all the nuances on paper—the bending of the notes, the subtleties of rhythm and phrasing," Connolly says. "One has to listen to this music really to understand it. So much is played by feeling, and there are no symbols for feeling."

Scott Alarik

Scott Alarik is the principal folk critic for the Boston Globe and the author of *Deep Community: Adventures in the Modern Folk Underground* (Black Wolf Press). To purchase *Forget Me Not* with a discount from the BC Bookstore or to hear samples from the CDs, visit the Full Story at [www.bc.edu/bcm](http://www.bc.edu/bcm)



# WHEN IT'S NOT NICE TO SHARE

## From Napster to Kazaa and beyond, legally speaking

Not so very long ago, intellectual property (IP) law was a sleepy, genteel legal backwater, having mostly to do with book publishing and the prerogatives of gentlemen and ladies of letters. No more: As BC Law School Dean John Garvey said in remarks that opened the school's symposium "Intellectual Property, E-Commerce, and the Internet" on October 18, developments in the discipline are "moving too fast" for more than a few lawyers to keep abreast. With digital technologies multiplying, lawsuits have proliferated (think of Napster, the music-sharing Web site sued out of existence by the recording industry and just as quickly replaced by Kazaa and Limewire). So also have unsettled questions of law.

Several dozen law professors and a handful of practicing IP lawyers attended the BC symposium, coming from places as far flung as Los Angeles, Austin, and Oklahoma City. It was the gathering of a special tribe, casually dressed (you could count the neckties in the room on the fingers of one hand) and speaking a jazzy dialect that mixed cybertalk with medieval-sounding legalisms ("trespass to chattels," "champerty laws") and abundant pop culture references. (Names from Brandi Chastain to Vanna White, Barry Bonds

to James Bond, Superman to Guy Lombardo were raised to illuminate this or that point.) The average age in the room was somewhere in the mid-to-upper thirties, and some dauntingly learned presentations came from scholars who may not have been out of their twenties—a fact explained by IP's recent growth, according to BC law professor Joseph Liu, who, along with his colleague Alfred Yen, organized the conference.

AS PAPERS were delivered, an odd-gaited dialogue developed between the presenters—professors all—and the practicing lawyers who were in attendance. On the whole, the presenters spoke high-mindedly and cautiously, reluctant to call for drastic measures in such a new and fast-changing discipline as Lex Internet. The expression "wait and see" proved popular, and more than one professor was heard to sheepishly describe his or her presentation as "tentative," "speculative," or even "tepid."

The practitioners, by contrast, spoke bluntly and pragmatically. They called for action by lawmakers and by the courts—action, they readily admitted, that would benefit their clients and, by extension, themselves.

A couple of examples: In the symposium's first paper,

the University of Pittsburgh's Michael Madison discussed the varied legal bases for Internet-related litigation. In particular, Madison lamented the lack of "resonance" in so-called click-through agreements, in which a mouse click serves as an e-signature, signaling assent to an on-screen contract. At the same time, he said, two recent federal statutes and numerous tort cases have invoked the common-law notion of trespass to keep unwanted visitors—including business competitors—from downloading data from a Web site. The metaphor here is imprecise, he said, for if we experience the Web as a place, it's a place without boundaries, where the concept of trespass can have no meaning—at least until more visible fences go up.

To which David Perla, chief counsel of Monster.com, the employment Web site, offered a brief, pointed reply: He and his employer just wished the courts would settle on a single source of law for Internet transactions instead of the confusing status quo, in which lawyers must be versed in IP, torts, and contracts, as well as the recent Internet statutes. "We'll take anything," said Perla, "over what we have now."

In his own paper, Liu critiqued IP law for the overly passive picture it draws of the

### WELL, AL

Chikaelo Ibeabuchi '06 served on a panel with former vice president Al Gore at the Family Re-union Conference held at Vanderbilt University on October 21. The freshman is on the board of directors of Peace Games, a national organization of volunteers who teach communication and cooperation skills to children in violence-prone schools.

### OLD TUNE

St. Mary's Chapel was the setting on November 23 of the first public performance in more than three centuries of the chamber opera *Patientis Christi Memoria* ("Memory of the Suffering of Christ"). Viennese composer Johann Bernhard Staudt, SJ, completed the work in 1685. BC's Jesuit Institute director T. Frank Kennedy, SJ, a music historian, unearthed the score in the Austrian National Library last year.

### ADDING UP

BC's Mathematics Institute has received a three-year grant extension of \$300,000 from Raytheon to continue its Partnerships Promoting Student Achievement in Mathematics project, begun in 1999 and directed by education professor Margaret Kennedy. In the program, public middle school teachers and parents—primarily in urban systems—are coached in the use of new math materials and instructional strategies.

### EDMONDS FIRE

No serious injuries resulted last October from an early morning fire in Edmonds Hall that caused at least \$100,000 in damages. The fire, ignited by an overloaded surge protector in a bedroom of the lower campus residence hall, was extinguished less than half an hour after it was reported. One student was treated at St. Elizabeth's Hospital for smoke inhalation.



copyright consumer—that is, the audience for creative works. Liu identified several active consumer interests, among them sharing and creative self-expression, that have come to the fore in the digital world but are largely ignored in current law. The Internet, Liu pointed out, increases our ability to share works with others far beyond what was possible with books and vinyl phonograph records. Of course, much Web-based sharing—think again of Napster—has been deemed impermissible by the courts. As for creative self-expression, Liu used the term to describe the practice, also of dubious legality, of lifting copyrighted files into homemade media such as personal Web sites and party-mix CDs. The market may

come to accommodate such active consumption on its own, Liu said, but he rather doubts it, and he proposed that Congress and the courts become more attuned to the copyright consumer.

Responding to Liu's paper, Mitch Singer, in-house counsel at Sony Pictures, took a radically different view. Singer, who admitted he was "openly hostile to people on the other side of the question," said, "In the name of protecting little Susie's right to create a multimedia book report, they vitiate the whole system of copyright protection." He then pointed to the history of file-sharing Web sites, saying, in a tone of disbelief, that as recently as 1999, "we were actually debating whether Napster encouraged CD purchases." But, he

said, CD sales declined 5 percent in 2000 and 10 percent in 2001, and a 15 percent drop is estimated for 2002.

"As a producer of motion pictures," Singer said, "I have to assume my industry isn't far behind." He predicted that one of two outcomes would result from free access to movies via the Web: either a rise in the cost of movie tickets or a decline in the quality of the movies themselves.

Other papers at the symposium, which will be published in *Boston College Law Review* this spring, treated subjects as varied as how to discourage frivolous lawsuits involving intellectual property claims, how best to purge the Web of child pornography and other objectionable material, and whether Internet law is something new

or just a translation of old legal concepts to a slightly different realm. Napster, the object of Singer's ire, raised its head in several of the papers presented, as well as in the discussions that followed, and few participants, lawyers or professors, had much good to say about the defunct Web site.

But on the sidelines, during lunch the first day of the symposium, one IP practitioner supplied an alternate, and very real-world, perspective. "I'm a copyright lawyer," he was heard to say, "but my kids are making an industry of infringing copyrights, copying CDs off the Internet and giving them out to all their friends."

David Reich

David Reich is a writer based in the Boston area.



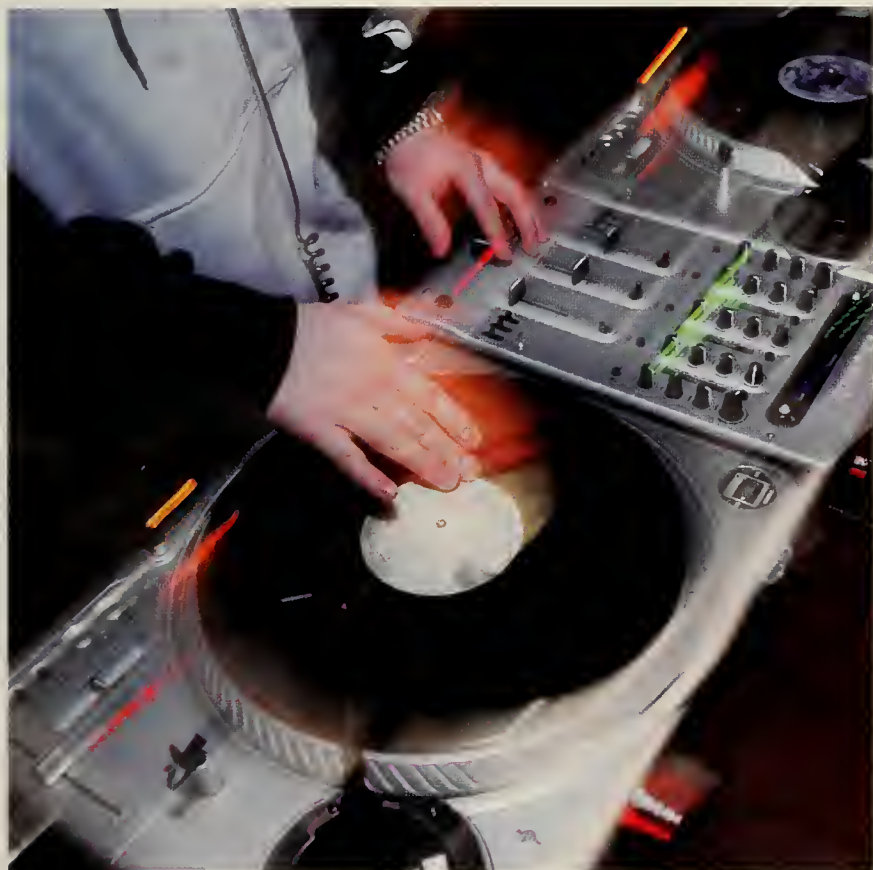
JOHN QUACKENBOS

**BREAK AWAY**—The BC men's soccer team had its most successful season ever in 2002, closing with a record of 18-5. The Eagles went into the NCAA championship tournament at the top of the Big East and as the number five seed. They won two matches—their first victories ever in NCAA tournament play—before losing to Creighton University in the quarterfinals. Head coach Ed Kelly was recognized as Coach of the Year by the Big East and *Soccer America*. Kyle Singer, an LSOE graduate student, was chosen Big East goalkeeper of the year, and senior midfielder Bobby Thompson was selected the outstanding player at the Big East tournament. At left, junior midfielder Adam Pfeifer pulls away from a Southern Methodist University opponent in NCAA third-round play, on the Eagles' way to the Elite Eight.



# SLAMMIN'

Poems by the people, for the people



LEE PELLEGRINI

Music by DJ Yi—a.k.a. John Yi '06



LEE PELLEGRINI

Words by Matt Werner '06, poetry club founder

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon on the Sunday before fall semester exams, the only person darting around lower campus is Matt Werner '06. The freshman, a slender figure in jeans, a blue winter jacket, and a fuzzy Santa cap, is taping up pink flyers that say "POETRY SLAM / HIGGINS 300."

Werner is preoccupied with the literary-performance competition he's been organizing for more than a month, an event slated to begin in 30 minutes: "As of Friday, 40 or 50 people had expressed interest in performing," he says. "But there was a big slam last night, so we could see anywhere between 10 and 40

poets today." So far, only six or seven poets have shown.

BC has not been a player in the local spoken-poetry community, which is why Werner, a California native who used to be active in a Bay Area spoken-word collective called Youth Speaks, is so intent on bringing shows like this to his new school. "The slams in Cambridge are nice," he writes in an e-mail, referring to the matches held in nightclubs across the river. "But most of the competitors are over 35 and speak with a Beat-poet style. I would like to establish a slam specifically for college students—so that we can voice our own concerns." One way

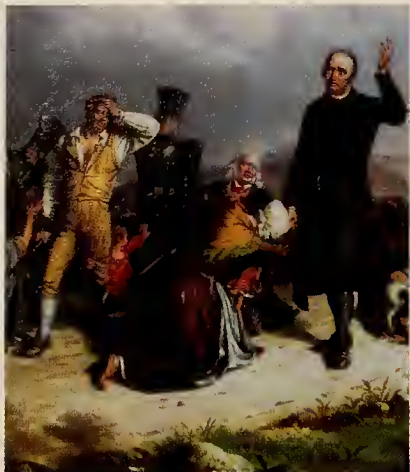
he hopes to do this is by starting a spoken-word club at BC.

THE TERM "spoken-word poetry" describes the performance style of a slam, and it is broad enough to accommodate sundry interpretations. As Werner notes, it can mean middle-aged folks mimicking Allen Ginsberg. It can signify theatrical presentations of intricate couplets, Shakespearean sonnets, or impromptu haikus. But it can also indicate a recitation of rhyming verses quickly delivered with a lyrical flow, a patter of speech that's clearly influenced by hip-hop music and urban youth cul-

ture. "The beauty of the slam to many kids like us," explains John Yi '06, a lyricist and disc jockey who will cohost the slam as his record-spinning alter ego DJ Yi, "is that the outer shell is hip-hop and the core is the poetry."

Werner rushes back to Higgins 300, a lecture hall amphitheater that holds 150 people, but the poets he is expecting from the Navajo Nation travel team (out of New Mexico) haven't yet arrived. About 50 BC students are dispersed among the seats, along with seven or eight would-be bards and a handful of faculty. At stage right, Yi, in baggy khakis and a grey hood-





R. G. Kelly, *An Ejectment in Ireland* (detail), 1848, oil/canvas, 46"x57"

## ÉIRE/LAND

BC's McMullen Museum of Art is featuring a special exhibit of Irish art and artifacts exploring the influence of the landscape in Irish identity over seven centuries. Items on view include the 13th-century illuminated manuscript *Topography of Ireland*, paintings by Jack Butler Yeats, George Barret, and Paul Henry, and video by Dorothy Cross. More than 100 works have been assembled, drawn from the British Library, Irish national museums, and private collections. The show continues through May 19. For more information call 617-552-8587 or visit the museum's Web site at [www.bc.edu/artmuseum](http://www.bc.edu/artmuseum)

## DEATHS

- John A. Dinneen, SJ, University Chaplain from 1976 to 1988, and a philosophy professor and administrator for the past 23 years, on December 11, at age 74.
- Br. Lawrence J. Foley, SJ, a member of Boston College's Jesuit community since 1988, on December 2, at age 83.
- Marilyn A. Grant MS'70, a senior reference librarian at O'Neill Library and a BC employee since 1971, on January 2, at age 56.
- Richard Hughes, a member of the English faculty from 1955 to 1994, and A&S dean from 1969 to 1972, on November 5, at age 75.

ed sweatshirt with navy blue sleeves, sits with his turntables, playing hip-hop records by rappers like Dr. Dre and Busta Rhymes.

Werner improvises. Still wearing his Santa hat, he explains that the next 45 minutes or so will be an open-mike segment "to get the poetic juices flowing" before the actual slam, or competition, begins.

Six poets take turns holding the floor. Dan Pritchard, a soft-spoken BC sophomore, declaims a short composition that "deals with the problem that we all become our parents." Valerie Lawson, copresident of the Boston Poetry Slam, quotes poet and essayist Charles Bernstein: "Poetry is like a swoon with this difference: It brings you to your senses." An animated woman in horizontal stripes and blue jeans compares a young boy's front teeth to "green Chiclets gum" and his hairdo to a "nuclear blast gone bad." Werner performs four pieces, including an improvised ditty (also known as a "freestyle") about his homesickness for Oakland, and an extended consonant rhyme with lines like, "My little education money is spent by Gray Davis and nonexistent face-lifts / The federal government sends it to Mars to get lost in spaceships."

AFTER A 10-minute intermission for chips and soda, the tardy Navajo poets, bundled in jackets and loaded up with backpacks, appear—they'd gotten lost. Werner reviews the rules, and the slam begins. Five BC students randomly selected from the audience by

Lawson will act as judges. ("Hey, want to be a judge? What's your name?"—the idea of the slam is that the average person will recognize a well-performed poem.) The highest score a poet can receive for a rendition is 30. Half a point is deducted from the tally for every 10 seconds that a recitation exceeds three minutes. By these rules, Werner tells the audience, a perfect reading of Dante's *Inferno* would receive a score of -88,721.6.

First up is the "sacrificial poet," an expression used for someone not competing whose presentation will be used to calibrate the judging scale. Yi will fill this role. "Say he gets a 9," Werner says. "Any poet who does a better job than him would get higher than a 9. Anyone who does worse would get lower." Yi moves away from his turntables to recite a rhyming poem about aspects of living that he finds beautiful, like, "Passing a test you didn't study for / Watching the symphonic sunset on the shore." When Yi wraps up, the judges scrawl scores on individual 8x10 dry-erase boards. His final mark is 16.5.

EIGHT POETS participate in the slam. Most are high school students, so the poems tend to be emotive, almost therapeutic. "Pain," "pride," "hurt," and "love" are recurring words. Emily Farquharson—a 17-year-old student at a private school in Weston, Massachusetts—delivers what she calls a "heartbreak poem" addressed to an unnamed muse: "You should have bought some Krazy Glue for my heart" and "My therapist hates you—so

there." Tiffany Reid of New Mexico, a brassy, energetic girl with sleek black hair, mixes Spanish with hip-hop argot ("*uno, dos, tres*" and "bling bling"). Navajo poet Theron Collins, a smiling, heavyset kid with a tattooed forearm, raps about his lack of sympathy for peers who end up in trouble ("Save the drama for your mama").

Scores range from 19.2 to 26.9 and after the first two rounds, three leaders emerge: Collins, Farquharson, and Laydith Long, a 16-year-old Navajo poet from Shiprock Northwest High School. To determine a winner, they perform one last time. Collins opts for a rap with the refrain, "Native Son / I am the only one," Farquharson muses about intimate moments with a companion, and Long gracefully whispers about desperation ("I am screaming—doesn't anyone hear me?"). In the end, Long's sad, almost spooky presentation earns her first place with a score of 26.2, which is 0.3 over second-place finisher Farquharson. Long's prize? A bag of pretzels, a package of nacho chips, a jar of salsa, and a 12-pack of Coke.

After the show, Werner seems pleased. "It's too bad it took 45 minutes for the poets to show up," he says softly. "But I have 21 names on the sign-up sheet for a spoken-word club. And that's certainly a beginning."

Camille Doderó '98

Camille Doderó is a writer based in the Boston area. Her story on Alumni Stadium's Superfan section, "What's Up, Buttercup," appeared in BCM, Fall 2002.



# PASS TIME

## George Ladd hands on the College Bound program

After 14 years, education professor George Ladd has stepped down as the director of BC's College Bound program.

Ladd was instrumental in establishing College Bound, a collaborative effort involving Boston College, Brighton High School, and West Roxbury High School that provides educational assistance to promising students from disadvantaged backgrounds. To date, 142 high schoolers have graduated from the four-year program. All have gone on to college, having won, in total, nearly \$16 million in scholarships and grants.

The program has its roots in the mid-1970s, when the University's President, J. Donald Monan, SJ, and LSOE dean Lester Przewlocki asked Ladd to be BC's liaison to Boston's public schools. A



Ladd (left) with Dean John Cawthorne

decade later Monan asked Ladd to establish a more formal relationship between the University and the city's school system, and College Bound was the result.

In Ladd's plan, BC undergraduates are paired with high school students, who are rec-

ommended for College Bound by their teachers and counselors based on their academic potential. Each BC volunteer commits to 10 hours a week of tutoring and mentoring, and meets regularly with senior College Bound staff members to design and revise education

plans specific to each College Bound student.

College Bound also has a community outreach element, through which many BC faculty and staff volunteers pass on job skills, personal guidance, and career advice.

LSOE dean for students and outreach John Cawthorne has been acting as interim director since Ladd's November departure, and will do so until a permanent replacement is named.

After 14 years, Ladd says, "it was starting to become too much of 'my' program." By passing on the director's job, he hopes to preserve the adaptability and creativity on which College Bound's success rests.

Ladd, who joined the Lynch School of Education in 1969, will stay on as a professor.

*Tim Heffernan*

## DATA FILE: OFFICE HOURS

### How BC faculty say they divide their time

*As part of his doctoral dissertation, William C. Dwyer, Ph.D. '02, asked BC's 597 full-time undergraduate faculty how they spend their days on the job; 243 (or 41 percent) replied. Dwyer is now a visiting associate professor of management at Bridgewater State College.*

	equal time on teaching and research	mostly teach	mostly research
Arts	44.4%	44.4%	11.1%
Business	59.4	19.0	21.4
Education	61.1	16.7	22.3
Humanities	46.6	43.8	9.6
Nursing	33.3	66.7	0.0
Sciences	44.4	36.1	19.5
Social sciences	53.2	31.9	14.9
All faculty	50.0%	35.4%	14.6%



# The bad girl

## A SUMMER IN HAPPINESS

You step off of the plane and realize that you truly are alone. No mother, no father to watch over you. Part of you is happy about that, but most of you is sad that they sent you far away because they say that you, at 15, are out of control. They keep repeating that you are only going away to work for the summer. They tell you that they love you and that they hope you come back a changed person. You nod, you pack, and you leave.

The Seoul air smells like sweat, and the bumping and grunting of the bus from the airport rocks you to sleep. An hour later you feel a rough tap on your shoulder. At first, you don't remember that you're in Korea, on your way to work in an orphanage run by nuns. You think you're at home, that your mother is shaking you awake, so you slap the hand away. Then you snap to. Grabbing your bags, you give the man who woke you a dirty look. Hearing someone mutter about ungrateful teenagers, you make as much noise as you can and get off the bus as slowly as possible.

Inside the orphanage, you tell the first nun you see that you are the girl from America here to work for the summer. She nods and shows you to your room. As much as you hate being there, the room is not bad; it's clean, at least, and there's a little bathroom with a faucet on the wall and a drain on the floor so you can wash.

It's a little bit cooler inside. The building's gray halls are dimly lit. There are cutouts of flowers and smiling kids pasted everywhere on the walls, and through slightly open doors, you catch glimpses of children. But these aren't normal children. They are slumped on floors, in wheelchairs, and in baby carriers. You think bitterly that the cheery cutouts don't seem to be helping them any.

The next morning, a nun is at your door motioning you to follow her. You learn there are three sections to the orphanage, and they are named Love, Peace, and Happiness. She stops at Happiness, and tells you very softly to go in. So you do. Inside, there are so many children. None of them can walk or talk. But not all of them are children. There's a grown man sitting in a wheelchair in the corner, and he is

slapping his cheek and gnawing his hands.

Days pass, and you have a ritual. You get up at eight, go to Happiness, stay with the children all day, and at night, you walk down the long hallway back to your bedroom. You bathe under the faucet, wash your clothes with soap, and hang them up to dry next to your window. You sleep, tossing and turning in blankets on the cold cement floor. You dream of Love, Peace, and Happiness.

There is a little boy who is eight years old. His legs are not formed, so he skitters across the floor like a tadpole. This child has a way of wriggling into your heart. He tries to eat a sock, and you chastise him. But you can't help the burst of laughter. You laugh and laugh, and the boy coos and giggles. A month passes by, and the walk from your room to Happiness becomes too long. You decide, instead, to lie with the children all night, staying with them while they cry and dream and sleep.

The man in the wheelchair is 23 years old. He is not really an orphan. His parents are two of the richest people in Korea. When they visit they speak not to you, but in your direction, as they say that they would take him home if he would only show a sign that he knew them. They are lying. Even you can see that when they come he stops slapping and gnawing on himself.

The time to leave hits you like a cement wall against your face. When the nuns tell you that they have called a taxi, that you don't need to take the bus, you thank them and walk mechanically down the hallway to your room. You fold the blankets they provided on your first night. You gather your things, put on your backpack, and drag your suitcase to Happiness. You kiss all the children one by one, crying. You go down the stairs and out the door leaving Happiness behind, with all its blessings.

Gina Chung '05

Gina Chung's essay originally appeared in *Fresh Ink*, the publication of Boston College's first-year writing seminar. Copies of *Fresh Ink* 2002 are available at the BC Bookstore, via the BCM Web site: [www.bc.edu/bcm](http://www.bc.edu/bcm)





# TAPPED OUT

The decline of the microbrews, and other adventures in economics theses

After a decade of explosive growth, production and sales of American microbrewed beer leveled off in the late 1990s. In his senior thesis, “Growth in the Microbrewery Market,” economics and computer science major Nikolay Dakov ’02 showed why.

Dakov began with the assumption that microbrewers’ premium prices and relatively small size (Anheuser-Busch sells nearly as much beer in a week as the 10 largest microbrewers combined sell in a year) make them sensitive to market forces that don’t affect mass producers. But proving his case was difficult: In the microbrewing industry, sales data, like recipes, are treated as trade secrets. The 10 largest microbrewers did, however, agree to give Dakov state-by-state lists of their distributors. This gave him an indirect measure of demand for their product, which he used as a proxy for the microbrew market. Dakov found that what he thought were the three most likely suspects behind the slowdown—market saturation, the economic downturn, and overinvestment in company expansion—were insignificant. Instead, something far more worrying to the brewers appears to be at work: a major demographic shift.

Craft beer, it turns out, is primarily the nectar of the middle-aged. “They’re the only ones who can afford it. And older people drink wine,”



Closing time: aging population, diminished demand

Dakov explains. In the late 1990s, the largest cohort of middle-aged people in U.S. history—the baby boomers—started to become the nation’s largest-ever group of retirees. The very people whose rise to economic and social dominance in the 1980s had fueled the growth of the craft beer industry are now, apparently, forsaking their bottle openers for corkscrews.

The larger microbrewers—Sam Adams, Sierra Nevada, and Red Hook are the top three—have recognized this shift, Dakov says, and are beginning to target a younger audience in their advertising.

All three have requested a copy of Dakov’s thesis.

CLAIRE ANDERSON ’02 looked at the link between religious faith and financial prudence in her senior economics thesis, “Religion and Savings.” Mining demographic data contained in the University of Michigan’s mammoth Health and Retirement study, Anderson found that to a statistically significant degree, the faithful invest more of their income and are less likely to be in debt than the non-faithful. They also retire wealthier and bequeath more to their offspring.

As Anderson points out, one of the few early studies of this issue was Max Weber’s hugely influential *The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism* (1904), which related Protestant moral virtues of temperance, modesty, and hard work to the explosive growth of the German entrepreneurial middle class in the 17th and 18th centuries. But Anderson suggests that the modern relationship between religiosity and savings is even simpler: “Religions are future-oriented,” she writes, in that they stress responsibility for one’s behavior and the virtue of forging a good life for one-

JASON WALLENREN



self and one's children. Economically speaking, that outlook translates into a personal pattern of deferred spending and sober investment.

IN HIS senior thesis, "The Effect of Thinness on American Wage Markets," Tony Beirne, Jr. '02 gave a long-standing truism another look. Several studies have famously shown that for a given job the obese earn significantly less than employees of lower weight. Marked on a graph comparing wage to weight, the trend line looks something like a wedge: a slow, steady upward slope indicating wages increasing with weight, followed by a sharp downward turn where obesity begins to detract from earnings.

It is an overly simplistic model, long criticized for lacking a cohesive logic. (Why is the break between "obese" and "non-obese" so sharp? And

why are the relatively skinny paid less than the moderately heavy?) Beirne's analysis, based on income and body mass data from the ongoing National Longitudinal Survey of Youth, paints a more nuanced picture. In it, the trend line looks like a rounded mesa, with wages dropping at both ends—the extremes of low and high weight—and with a more or less level section of higher wages near the middle.

The implication is that deviation from a perceived "norm" of weight, and not obesity per se, is what gets punished in wage markets. The very thin, like the very heavy, are underpaid—vigorous signals from the fashion world notwithstanding.

SINCE AUGUST 1997, when the U.S. Food and Drug Administration loosened restrictions on advertising for antidepressants, the use of

those medications has risen 172 percent. And the drug companies' expenditures on advertising antidepressants have doubled, now topping \$250 million annually. To Shannon Finnegan '02, that coincidence begged a question: Has aggressive marketing pushed antidepressant use beyond the level at which responsible medical care would keep it? She addressed the issue in her senior thesis, "The Effects of Direct-to-Consumer Advertising on the Antidepressant Market."

Finnegan looked at a wide range of information: drug companies' marketing plans (including rebates to insurers), patterns of antidepressant sales, even the nuts and bolts of depression treatment. Many psychiatrists, she reports, now feel that advertising has undermined the objectivity of the doctor-patient relationship by creating among patients unrealistic expectations for drug

treatment. Meanwhile, patient advocacy groups complain that cheaper—and no less effective—treatments are being displaced. Perhaps more telling, says Finnegan, is the fact that some older drugs are now being renamed and promoted as new treatments for psychological ailments unrelated to depression. Finnegan takes pains to avoid a blanket condemnation of antidepressant marketing. But she stands by her question: Does America need to be a Prozac nation?

Tim Heffernan

*Nik Dakov is now a software developer for Tritech Solutions, in Boston. Claire Anderson has returned to her hometown, Chicago, where she is seeking work as an economic analyst. Tony Beirne is an underwriter at Liberty Mutual in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Shannon Finnegan is a research analyst at Cambridge Finance Partners in Cambridge, Massachusetts.*

## TAKE-HOME: QUESTIONS FROM A FALL SEMESTER FINAL EXAM

### GEOLOGY AND GEOPHYSICS 392: "ENVIRONMENTAL GEOCHEMISTRY, LIVING DANGEROUSLY"

—Assistant Professor Kevin G. Harrison

1. A pond contains small, medium, and large fish. The medium fish eat the small fish, while the large fish eat the medium fish. The pond is contaminated with PCBs. To minimize the ingestion of PCBs, what size fish should you eat? Explain.

2. In 2002, you discover that your well water is contaminated with the toxic form of chromium (Cr VI). The recharge zone for your aquifer is a small pond located near an industrial site that changed ownership in 1964.

Both of the owners of the site made chrome bumpers, so either could have been the source of the chromium. You take a core of the pond sediments and discover a Cr VI spike at 50 cm and a Cs-137 spike at 27 cm. Assuming a constant sedimentation rate, in what year was the Cr VI dumped into the pond? Explain.

3. Suppose Julia Roberts added 400 kilograms of nitrate to Lake Waban and Kirsten Dunst added 150 kilograms of phosphate to Lake Waban. How many moles of oxygen would be produced? Hint: You have to determine which nutrient is more limiting. The molecular weights: P=31, O=16, N=14.



# Tour guide

TWENTY-EIGHT DAYS, TWO COASTS, 13 MUSLIM ACADEMICS



Aboard the Boston Duck Tour: N. P. Hafiz Mohamad, India (with camera). Second row, from left: Saida Yahya-Othman, Tanzania; Carmen A. Abubakar, Philippines. Third row: Mehmet Pacaci, Turkey; Ahmed Mohsen Mohammed Al-Dawoody, Egypt; Md. Akhtaruzzaman, Bangladesh; Fareed Hadi, Bahrain. Fourth row: Munib-Ur-Rehman, Pakistan; Thomas De Nardo, Boisi Center staff; Ibrahim Mu'azzam Maibushira, Nigeria; Mun'im A. Sirry, Indonesia. Last row: Adnan Mahmoud Assaf, Jordan; theology graduate student K.C. Choi; Bakarar Hassan, West Bank; Kamarul Shukri Mat Teh, Malaysia (face obscured).

In February 2002, I was approached by an official from the U.S. State Department's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs with a proposal. Would the Boisi Center for Religion and American Public Life, which I direct at Boston College, be willing to host an institute in which scholars of Islam from the Muslim world would come to learn how religious diversity and the separation of church and state work in practice in America? The institute, which the Boisi Center would develop and schedule, would in fact be a monthlong traveling program, giving its guests a view of American religious practice in the Boston area and on the West coast. I readily accepted.

Thirteen Muslim academics arrived at Boston's Logan International Airport on the 14th of September: 11 men and two women. Roughly half were from the Middle East—including Bahrain, Egypt, Jordan, and the West Bank. And half were from South and Southeast Asian countries like Bangladesh, Indonesia, Malaysia, Pakistan, and the Philippines. There were participants as well from Tanzania and Nigeria and Turkey. We were able to work closely with security personnel at the airport—Logan had been the embarkation point, almost exactly a year before, of two of the planes hijacked on September 11—and no one was singled out for special searches, fingerprinting, or any other out-of-



the-ordinary security measures.

The institute opened with an Islamic *halal* dinner, sponsored by BC's Jesuit community. We had reasoned that the dinner would help present an image of American religion at its most serious, introducing our visitors to selfless, idealistic, and dedicated men who take their Roman Catholic faith seriously. We were probably right, but when a number of the visiting scholars asked me the next day to explain the differences between Protestants and Catholics, I realized that I may have assumed too much. Before long, I was writing names like "Martin Luther" and "John Calvin" on a board.

All but one of our visitors had never been to America before, and they were both curious and a bit frightened about what they might discover. "Okay," one of them bravely put it after two weeks, "I'm ready to see some homosexuals now." Fairly sure that America is a violence-prone, decadent society that treats all people of color with disrespect, they were also certain that most people who live here are atheists, and that Jews run U.S. foreign policy.

We were able to persuade them fairly quickly that one of their images was incorrect: This is not a country filled with atheists. To them, and perhaps to many people from societies different from ours, separation of church and state seems like a secular idea, one that nonbelievers impose on the faithful to make government free from religion. Our task was to demonstrate the opposite: In America, separation of church and state has been supported by some very religious people—the Baptists, for example—to protect religion from government.

OUR GUESTS typically came from Muslim-majority countries in which Islam is not only a religion but also a way of life and a system of laws. One of the guests, for example, serves on Pakistan's Islamic Council, a body that passes judgment on whether the laws approved by political institutions meet standards established by the Koran. As many as half of the others were trained as jurists and spend considerable time debating whether various forms of personal behavior, such as smoking and eating non-*halal* food while traveling, conform to Islamic law, or *Shariah*. The best way



Scholars from Nigeria, Pakistan, and Bahrain (left to right) examine a Torah scroll, as American rabbinical students look on.

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to persuade our visitors that religion can thrive in the absence of direct links to government, I decided, was to demonstrate that their own religion is doing well in the United States, despite the fact that Muslims constitute a small minority of religious believers.

Fortunately, I did not have to make the point; it was made for me by Hassan Hathout, director of outreach for the Islamic Center of Southern California and a physician originally from Kuwait, who told the group that one is freer to be a Muslim in the United States than in many of the societies

from which Muslim immigrants arrive.

The day before he spoke, we had attended Friday religious services at a mosque in Orange County, California. The service had begun with a ritual: A young American man had chosen to convert to Islam, and we all watched as he vowed to obey the laws of the Prophet. The next morning, a woman from Tanzania told the people at her table that she had never before witnessed a conversion ceremony. "Is that because you come from a Muslim-majority society in which people do not convert?" she was asked. "No," she replied, pointing out that roughly half of her country is Muslim. "It is because, at home, I am not allowed into the mosque." It was true that in the Orange County mosque she sat in the balcony, where her view was limited. But as is happening in many mosques in the United States, steps had been taken toward gender equality that are rare in the countries from which our guests arrived.

We were less successful in disabusing our Muslim visitors of their perception that Jews run U.S. foreign policy. They were unimpressed that one of our speakers, Keith Weissman, deputy director of foreign affairs for the American Israel Public Affairs Committee—generally considered the most influential component of the "Jewish lobby"—holds a doctorate in Islamic studies and speaks fluent Arabic. One of the Muslim visitors responded to Weissman's talk on how lobbying works in America by claiming that the Palestinians are being treated by the Israelis worse than the Jews had been treated by Hitler—hardly the way to promote healthy dialogue.

Our visit to California did promote Jewish-Muslim understanding in one important way. A few weeks before, Rabbi Reuven Firestone, of California's branch of Hebrew



Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, had been hospitalized with a serious heart condition. Still, he was enthusiastic and welcoming when he asked the 13 Muslim scholars to spread themselves around eight tables, where they would be joined by 13 rabbinical students.

Each table was given the Koranic and Old Testament texts, in both Arabic and Hebrew, dealing with Noah and the flood. A Muslim scholar read from one, and a Jewish scholar read from the other, and then participants at each table devoted themselves to fierce argument about the texts, including what they meant and why they diverged.

When the exercise concluded, Rabbi Firestone brought out the Torah for the Muslims to touch and ponder, which they did with deep reverence. This, I told myself, is surely what the State Department had in mind when it sought out scholars who would promote mutual understanding between the United States and the Muslim world.

However, my best guess is that few of our guests changed their minds about the influence of Jews on American foreign policy or about the allegedly anti-Arab slant that this influence has imposed.

A similar kind of stalemate emerged over issues of religious freedom, especially involving minority religions. While clearly fascinated by the First Amendment, our guests also knew that neither guarantees of religious liberty nor separation of church and state fit easily into an Islamic understanding of the world. To borrow the terminology of the philosopher Isaiah Berlin, they were advocates of “positive” rather than “negative” liberty; Islam, in their view, is so true that, without it, one cannot really be free. Therefore, society has to ensure that as many people as possible are exposed to the faith.

One participant came from a society, Pakistan, in which Christians had recently been killed for their beliefs. Another came from Nigeria, where a woman had been convicted of adultery and sentenced to death by stoning. Neither participant was prepared to acknowledge that positive liberty, much as Isaiah Berlin warned, has its authoritarian side. The Pakistani participant insisted that the government had nothing to do with continuing attacks on Christians (though the country’s Christians say the state fails to pursue attackers). And the Nigerian held that how Muslims punish crimes against members of their own faith is up to them. In response, a BC graduate student in theology who served as the Muslim visitors’ van driver, asked if there was anything in Islam that helped them to stand outside their faith and view it with impersonal eyes. I thought it a good question. They could not understand his point.

Most of our guests also could not understand and appreciate religious pluralism. When we took them to the house in Los Angeles where American Pentecostals first began speaking in tongues, thereby launching a religious revolution, their reaction was to contrast Pentecostal religious

practices with something in their own tradition—Sufism—to make sense of it. When, however, there was no equivalent in Islam to something they witnessed in America, they had difficulty understanding.

HOW, THEN, to evaluate the experience? On the negative side, I doubt that many minds were changed during our time together. Mine, at least on the important things, was not. I was persuaded before the program began that Islam, lacking both the equivalents of a Protestant Reformation and a Vatican II, has been relatively untouched by Western liberal ideals, and little that happened during the institute dissuaded me.

And it was clear that our visitors were unlikely to question the Koranic truths they hold dear or the conviction that there is no God but God; in one discussion, for example, some of them agreed that Jesus was never crucified and that someone else had been put on the cross in his place to persuade the world that he was a deity.

Still, I will never be able to write or teach about Islam without seeing the religion with human faces, and much the same will no doubt be true of our Muslim visitors.

Our guests, moreover, loved the experience, or so they indicated on the evaluation sheets we handed out to them. Nearly all of them said that they had learned far more about American religion than they had expected. “I have brothers and sisters now in the U.S.,” said one of them on departure—the same person who had compared the sufferings of the Palestinians to the Holocaust.

Many of the academics who attended have suggested concrete steps to continue the dialogue. Our visitor from the West Bank is giving “serious consideration” to trying to establish a center for religious studies and dialogue in Palestine. The scholar from Nigeria now feels that much of what he had heard before coming here, especially that little or no progress has been made in race relations in the United States, is wrong; he will work to correct such views back home.

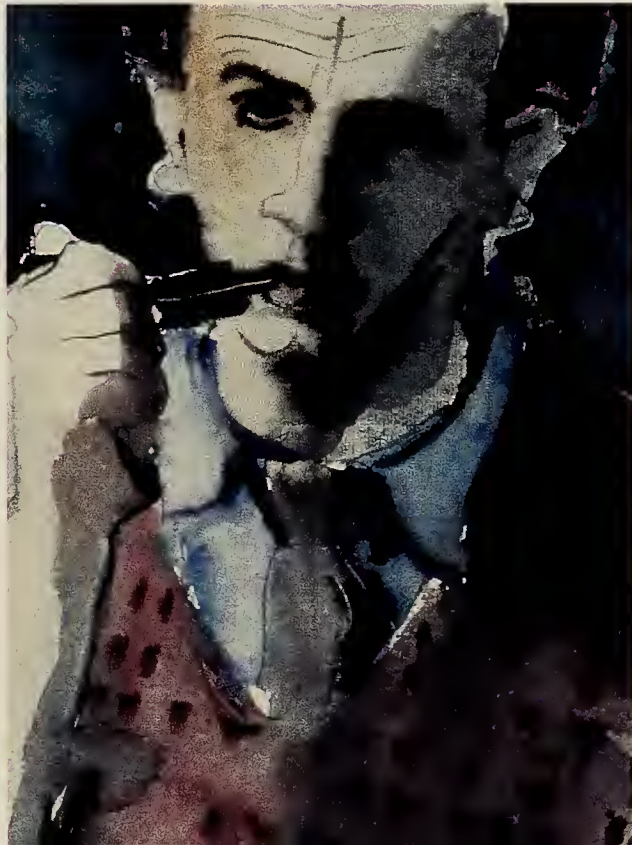
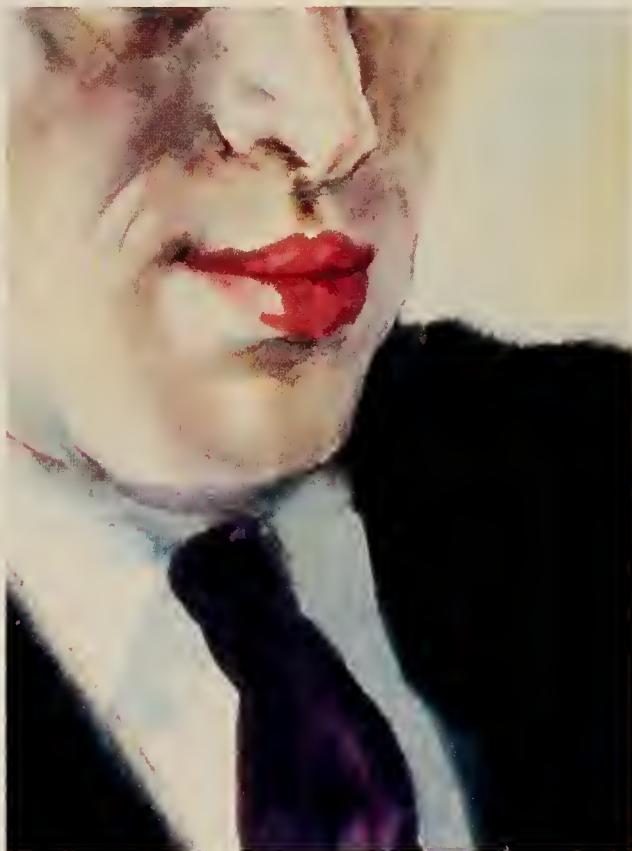
Our Turkish guest was, of all the scholars, the one most comfortable with liberal-democratic values, and he has proposed a further exchange program between Boston College and the faculty of theology at the University of Ankara. And one of our visitors from South Asia wants to teach a course at his university on Islam in the diaspora, although he is not sure he will be given permission to do so.

Should any of those developments come to pass, the objectives of the program will have been met.

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# Lost Generation

WHEN SIEGBERT FELDBERG BEGAN TO ACQUIRE SELF-PORTRAITS BY “DEGENERATE” GERMAN ARTISTS IN THE 1920s, HE HAD NO IDEA HOW IMPORTANT HIS COLLECTION WOULD BECOME. OR DID HE?

BY LARRY WOLFF

“I AM A CAMERA,” runs the most famous line from Christopher Isherwood’s *Berlin Stories*. Set in the early 1930s, the years when Hitler rose to power, Isherwood’s fiction would yield, on stage and film, some of our most vivid images of Berlin on the brink of disaster: the abrasive decadence of Sally Bowles and *Cabaret*. “I am a camera with its shutter open, quite passive,” pronounced the narrator, effacing himself in humble awareness that he just happened to be an

accidental witness to the 20th century’s terrible turning point; that his role as an artist was to take literary photographs for the historical record.

During these same years, Siegbert Feldberg, a prosperous German lawyer and businessman in his early thirties, was completing his personal collection of self-portraits by contemporary German artists. Like *Berlin Stories*, this collection came to constitute a record of that fraught moment in history.

Feldberg assembled his gallery of some 70 self-portraits over the course of 10 years, adding the last painting to the collection in 1933, the year Hitler became chancellor of Germany. Feldberg, who managed his family’s business in men’s clothing in the Baltic port of Stettin (now Szczecin, in Poland), originally began his collection with the eccentric notion of trading coats and suits from the business to strug-

gling artists in Berlin in exchange for their self-portraits. He was generous in these exchanges, and he enjoyed friendly relations with some of the artists he patronized. As the collection developed, Feldberg also purchased self-portraits by some celebrated artists who certainly did not need to trade paintings for clothing. By the time Feldberg ceased collecting, he must have begun to realize that he had constructed something of historic significance as well as artistic value.

Last fall at BC’s McMullen Museum of Art, Feldberg’s vision was dramatically vindicated as, for the first time in the United States—and only the third time ever—the paintings from his collection went on public exhibit. Attracting national attention, the exhibit was also chosen by the *Boston Globe* as one of the city’s top 10 of 2002.

A few of the represented artists are famous—Käthe Kollwitz, Max Liebermann, and Oskar Kokoschka, for ex-



ample—but most are less well known, and some would be completely unknown today were it not for the fact that they once traded a self-portrait to Siegbert Feldberg for a woolen suit or a warm winter coat. These were artists of the Weimar Republic, the interlude of democracy and cultural modernism that flourished briefly in Germany between the end of World War I and the ascendancy of Hitler.

The self-portraits are by no means photographic representations. Unnaturally vivid in their coloring, distorted in their physiognomy, many of them hold to the extreme emotional logic of expressionism. Yet standing in the museum, with the portraits ranged around me, I wondered whether Feldberg had some sense that he too was a camera; that he was documenting his moment for posterity: the collective visage of civilization on the verge of a historic breakdown.

ing. He died in New York in 1974.

More whimsical is Heinrich Ehmsen, who shows himself armed with palette and paintbrush, dressed in the peppermint stripes of an unbuttoned red and white shirt. He isn't looking at you at all; you see him in perfect profile while he stares intently at his model, who appears in the painting only as a reflection in the mirror behind him, sprawling plump and naked and perhaps asleep. Ehmsen fought for Germany in both world wars, but was sympathetic to communism already in the 1930s and died in East Berlin in 1964, a member of the communist East German Academy.

The most outrageous portrait in the collection shows Rudolf Schlichter, who, like many of Feldberg's artists, was associated with the modernist movement in German art that exhibited under the banner of *Sezession*—secession from

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THESE SELF-PORTRAITS, taken together with the artists' life stories, suggest a cohort of emphatic individuals of dramatically different temperaments. Franz Heckendorf engages you directly with big dark eyes and serpentine lashes, all curves from his hairline to his chin, boldly dressed in red. He was a native Berliner, a bomber pilot for Germany during World War I: “The whim of the war sent me as a flyer towards the Balkans and the Orient, wonderlands of fullness of light and a fairytale richness of color, which my fantasy had long dreamed of.” He came out of World War I with his sense of artistic fantasy complicated and enriched, but his experience of World War II was very different: He spent two years in a concentration camp.

Even more violent in expression is the self-portrait of Gert Wollheim, glaring at you in a spirit of fierce alienation. The swirling lines of his face meet the wildly uncombed strands of his red hair, making his head into an electrical tangle of loose wiring. Wollheim painted his portrait in 1931, and left Berlin for Paris two years later when Hitler came to power. He had to go into hiding during the war, emigrated to America after it was over, and went on paint-

academic convention and bourgeois stuffiness. Schlichter's values were volatile, taking him from communism and dada to conservative Catholicism, and he painted himself in the act of fiercely biting into a leafy green vegetable. His curvaceous red lips are parted, teeth bared, his ear dissolving into the washes of color that surround his contorted face and that frame his furious expression.

In spite of their different spirits and the varied trajectories of their lives, there was (aside from their relationship with Feldberg) at least one thing that Heckendorf, Wollheim, Ehmsen, and Schlichter all had in common: Each was condemned by the Nazis in the 1930s as a “degenerate” artist.

The Exhibition of Degenerate Art, which the Nazis mounted in Munich in 1937, was supposed to demonstrate to Germany and the world the kind of art that was no longer acceptable under Hitler. And many of the painters whose

Opposite: This photo of a German men's clothing store, circa 1930, is from the Feldberg family album. The identities of the men are no longer known for certain, but the man second from left is thought to be Siegbert Feldberg.



self-portraits had been solicited by Feldberg were among those denounced as degenerates. Their works were seized by the Nazis, stripped from museums and collections, and held up as objects of mockery and excoriation. Wollheim, for instance, had three paintings in the 1937 exhibition; Kokoschka had 12. The Kokoschka self-portrait that hung in the McMullen Museum was, in fact, a print, not a painting, and another print from that very same series had been displayed as degenerate art in Munich.

Hitler took a personal interest in the Munich exhibition, for, as is well known, he himself had wanted to study painting as a young man and was rejected by the Academy in

Vienna. In *Mein Kampf*, written in the 1920s, he denounced dadaism and cubism as manifestations of spiritual degeneracy, and in his general incoherence he must have had German expressionism in mind when he condemned artists who “passed off all sorts of incomprehensible and obviously crazy stuff on their amazed fellow men as a so-called inner experience.” He still seemed to be smarting at the rejections of his youth when he railed against “the apostles of Bolshevistic art, who furiously attacked anyone who didn’t want to recognize the crown of creation in them and pilloried him as a backward philistine.”

It was around the time of Hitler’s election as German





chancellor in January 1933 that Michel Fingesten, one of Feldberg's artist friends, drew a title page for the collection portfolio, featuring a representative image of the German artist hanging by the neck with his palette in one hand and his paintbrush in the other. The brush is bleeding drops of blood. This was not just ironic self-deprecation or darkly humorous pessimism. At the end of that year Feldberg sent out a 1934 New Year's card, with the figure of a tightrope walker and also a poem: "If you want things to go well for you on earth, / You'd better become a master on the tightrope."

As a German Jew, Feldberg must have felt the tightrope beneath his feet swinging dangerously. He read *Mein Kampf*.

a cloud of nervous anxiety or inhaled in a spirit of intensely private preoccupation. On the BC campus there is no academic building that permits smoking nowadays, but in the McMullen Museum there was actually a corner set aside for the nicotine-addicted artists of the Weimar Republic, fiercely smoking their way through the 1930s.

Jan van Ripper is encircled by the painted ribbon of pale smoke that rises from his cigarette, the emblem of a smoldering sexuality of satanic intensity. The smoke provides a ghostly illumination of his visage with its sharp angles and flat planes. Beside him Walter Simsch pulls on a pipe, breathing in and looking inward, as the artist recedes into the aqueous currents of smoke and watercolor. Among

all of the accounts of arrests, denunciations, deportations, survivals, suicides, and murders, the biographical data on these two men are perhaps the most moving in the collection. About Jan van Ripper with his eloquent cigarette there is no biographical information at all, and about Walter Simsch, with his brooding preoccupation, the exhibit text simply states, "Were it not for this self-portrait nothing would be known about this artist."

We know only that these artists lived in the waning years of the Weimar Republic, that they were remarkably talented, that they crossed paths with Siegbert Feldberg, that they smoked. And then they vanished in the 20th-century apocalypse.



COURTESY OF GEORGINA FELDBERG

Left: Siegbert and Hilde Feldberg, circa 1930. Right: Hilde with sons Hans (left) and Heinz, circa 1933, a year before Siegbert escaped from Germany. Hilde and the boys fled in 1939, smuggling 70 banned paintings with them.

In 1934 he emigrated to British India and settled in Bombay, where he worked as the sales representative for an Austrian automobile company. He left behind in Germany his wife Hilde, his two sons, Hans, eight, and Heinz, six, and his prized collection of self-portraits.

MANY OF THE Feldberg artists painted themselves with paintbrush in hand, the badge of artistic identity. Others, however, preferred to depict themselves not in the act of painting, but smoking a cigarette or a pipe. They puffed in

THERE WAS a portrait of Siegbert Feldberg himself in the Boston College exhibit, the work of Ernst Honigberger, much of whose art was destroyed, along with his studio, by an Allied air raid in 1943; Honigberger continued to live in Germany until his death in 1974, painting civic murals and altarpieces. In the portrait, Feldberg has a hooded gaze, a high forehead, and slightly puckering red lips. In a dark jacket and tie he looks dead serious, a man with many worries, but the nocturnal scene is radiantly illuminated by a flash of lightning, weirdly green, exploding behind Feldberg's head. It is a portrait that suggests a certain mystery of personality, as Honigberger the artist studied Feldberg the collector.

"My grandparents liked order and structure," commented Georgina Feldberg, the granddaughter of Siegbert and Hilde Feldberg. A social historian of women and health,



Georgina Feldberg was speaking with me in Cambridge, Massachusetts, some 70 years after her grandfather left Berlin, and 30 years after his death. She remembers his formality, his sense of occasion, his readiness to entertain his family in celebratory fashion. “He was not a bohemian,” she remarked emphatically. “He was a member of the bourgeoisie.”

The art world of Weimar Berlin in the 1930s was, however, intensely bohemian, just as Isherwood described the self-consciously outrageous cabaret world of Sally Bowles. Bristling with extreme ideological perspectives and radical cultural undertakings, notorious for its seedy sexual underworld, this was the city where Bertolt Brecht and Kurt Weill created *The Threepenny Opera* in 1928, making a charismatic criminal hero out of Mack the Knife.

Siegbert Feldberg, as a friend and patron of artists, was very close to this bohemian world, and yet, as his portrait

ing call, from an employee of the Feldberg business, who told her, “If you ever want to see your husband again, get out now.”

So, in 1939, six months before the outbreak of the war, she left Germany by train with both boys, now 13 and 11, and with all the self-portraits packed up in an oversized crate. On the train she made the friendly acquaintance of a Nazi officer, and his company proved invaluable to her in escaping scrutiny when the time came to cross the border. For she was not only bringing her Jewish family out of Germany, but was also traveling with paintings by artists who had been publicly denounced as degenerates. Given the risk, Hilde Feldberg—and her husband in India—must have wanted desperately to preserve the collection.

Their oldest son, Hans, now a retired chemist and businessman living in Florida, was on the train out of Germany with his mother and brother in 1939, and he was also at

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suggests, and as his granddaughter confirms, he could not have been fully a part of it. The mysterious green light that illuminates his tense reserve in Honigberger's portrait seems to suggest something of the bourgeois spirit that separated him from the artists in his collection, and, at the same time, the inner impulse that attracted him to them, their world, and their work.

Georgina Feldberg remembers her grandfather visiting her family in New York City during her childhood, and remembers the attentive formality with which he would dress for an evening out in the city with old friends—artist friends from the vanished world of Weimar Berlin. He might have been meeting Gert Wollheim, who was living in New York at that time.

Feldberg, after 1934, tried to create a new life for himself in India, hoping to establish himself in business and then send for his wife and children. They very nearly waited too long. Hilde Feldberg, in Berlin, eventually received a warn-

Boston College last October for the crowded opening of the exhibition. “It is so nice to see so many old friends,” he said to me with emotion. He meant the paintings, of course, and he was remembering them from his childhood in Germany and in India. His conversation moved somewhat hesitantly between English and German, for these old friends clearly called up German memories. I asked him whether there were any particular favorites that he remembered from his childhood. “The one-eyed man,” he replied with little hesitation, and he looked around the gallery to locate the self-portrait of the artist Ludwig Meidner.

Bending with brush in hand, Meidner has only a single seeing eye. That eye seems to unbalance the painting, tilting the subject to one side, while the other blank eye dissolves into the splashes of paint that form Meidner's unsmiling face. Wearing a Jewish skullcap, the one-eyed artist has the air of a fairy-tale figure who might well be especially memorable to a child.



IRONICALLY, SIEGBERT FELDBERG was interned by the British government in India at the outbreak of World War II as a German citizen. Eventually he served in the British army and gained British citizenship. After the war, and after Indian independence, Feldberg moved to Karachi, Pakistan, where he worked for a German company while Hilde directed a classical music program on Pakistani radio featuring German music. In the 1960s, they returned to Europe and settled in Lugano, in Italian Switzerland. Siegbert Feldberg died in 1971 in Heidelberg, Germany, on his way to Berlin to visit old friends, and in 1976 his widow sold the collection of self-portraits to a museum in Berlin.

"I have looked after my collection of 70 self-portraits and preserved it as a whole throughout all the difficulties," Feldberg once wrote. "Although I have often had attractive offers for individual self-portraits, I have always turned them down since I believe that the complete, undivided collection will one day find a dignified home in a museum, in either East or West Berlin."

Georgina Feldberg told me that her grandfather, in spite of having been forced to flee for his life from Nazi Germany, spoke only positively about Berlin when he recalled that earlier era of his life. Yet she thinks her grandfather would have found it unbearable to live in Berlin when he returned to Europe after the war, and therefore chose nearby Switzerland, where she can remember visiting museums with her grandparents during her childhood.

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When Hilde Feldberg decided that she needed to sell the paintings after her husband's death, her son Hans opposed the choice of a museum in Germany, and argued for an American museum as a more suitable home for

the collection. According to Georgina Feldberg, her grandmother, like her grandfather, believed that the collection belonged in Germany, that it was an important part of German history.

It is hardly surprising that the Feldbergs should have had mixed feelings about Germany and German history in the aftermath of the Nazi horrors. More surprising, perhaps, is that the German art world has not responded with greater attention to the artistic value of the collection. Though the paintings have been in Berlin for 25 years now, they have never received there the sort of comprehensive exhibition that took place at Boston College.

"I AM A CAMERA," wrote Isherwood. "Someday all this will have to be developed." Photographic memories of 1930s Germany are still being developed to this day, whether by historians in archives or curators in museums. The word "camera" also means "chamber," and, in the history of artistic patronage, collections were famously kept in the "camera" of the collector. Collections can be very personal and sometimes mysterious, reflecting not only the taste but also the deepest inner impulses of the man, woman, or child who collects. Siegbert Feldberg collected German self-portraits. His son Heinz collected Inuit sculpture.

Feldberg never offered an explanation of why he collected self-portraits. "My grandfather was very interested in the portrayal of self," Georgina Feldberg told me. He also kept a huge family photo collection, arranged in albums. I thought of Feldberg's sense of self and family, in Cambridge, as I watched 16-month-old Susanna at play, Siegbert Feldberg's great-granddaughter, who will grow up in the 21st century.



1. MICHEL FINGESTEN  
Self-Portrait (with palette),  
undated, gouache on board,  
64.7 x 48.2 cm



2. CONRAD FELIXMÜLLER  
Self-Portrait (with palette),  
1929, gouache, 54.9 x 36.3 cm



3. JAN VAN RIPPER  
Self-Portrait (with cigarette),  
1931, watercolor and oil on  
board, 67.2 x 48.4 cm



4. OSKAR KOKOSCHKA  
Self-Portrait, 1923, color  
lithograph, 59.5 x 47 cm



Self-portraiture, more than any other artistic form, expresses the complexity of human identity, of how we see ourselves. The art historian Joseph Koerner sees the self-portrait, dating from Albrecht Dürer, as the artistic genre that defined the modern sense of self, of Renaissance individualism, 500 years ago.

Every self-portrait since has depended upon one simple piece of technology: a mirror. To paint a self-portrait the artist must look into the mirror and then try, brush in hand, to represent the reflection. Yet, as we all know, there are moments when we catch ourselves by surprise in the mirror, and hardly recognize the alien figure reflected there. Feldberg's collection is a hall of tilted mirrors, a gallery of distorted reflections, a chamber of unbalanced selves, from a historical moment of tremendous artistic energy and profound social crisis.

In November 2001, two months after the terrorist destruction of the World Trade Center towers, there opened in Manhattan a brand-new museum, the Neue Galerie, in a handsome mansion on Fifth Avenue, dedicated to Austrian and German art of the early 20th century, including the paintings of Weimar Berlin. When I visited the Neue Galerie, the stately rooms were jammed with New Yorkers admiring the masters of the *Sezession*, and experiencing, for an afternoon, the thrill of modern German culture before the advent of Hitler.

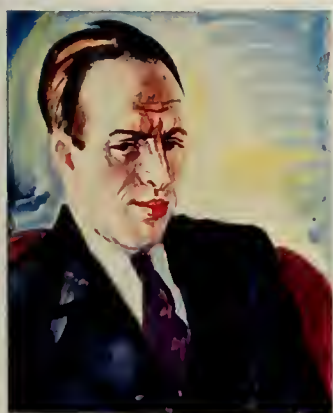
What is it that makes the Weimar moment, the world of *Cabaret*, so exceptionally interesting to us? It's not just an infatuation with what Sally Bowles called "divine decadence," but some recognition of the real vitality in a culture that was nevertheless doomed to the supreme vandalism of Nazi terror. The *New Yorker* music critic Alex Ross recently remarked, "If I could travel to any time and place in the musical past, it would be to the Berlin of 1928." He was

thinking of *The Threepenny Opera*, but a film critic might have said the same thing about Berlin in 1930, when Josef von Sternberg directed *The Blue Angel*, introducing the screen goddess Marlene Dietrich in a celluloid haze of swirling sexuality. Yet Berlin, in those very years of creative excitement, was already on the verge of becoming not the capital of music and cinema, but the capital of mass murder and political terror.

The visitors to the Neue Galerie in New York were, I suppose, partly compelled by the imaginative potency of German culture—all the more brilliant for its unnerving intimations of impending collapse. In the autumn of 2001, New Yorkers could well appreciate such precariousness and vulnerability.

If you could escape from the present moment by stepping through the looking glass, and could travel to any extraordinary place in the artistic past, you might not choose Berlin in 1928. After all, you would know what was coming in 1933. The survival of Feldberg's collection of self-portraits brings the art world of Weimar Berlin into our own times, and permits us to see the face of the 20th century as German artists saw it when they looked into their mirrors, not knowing what was coming next.

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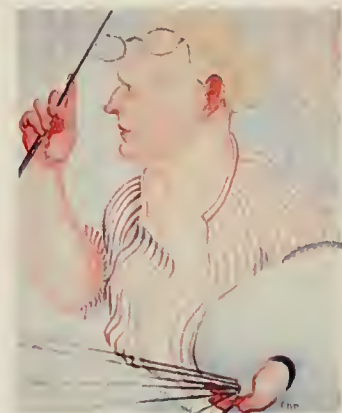
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Portrait of Siegbert Feldberg,  
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gouache on handmade paper,  
69.7 x 52.9 cm



6. RUDOLF SCHLICHTER  
Self-Portrait, 1931, watercolor,  
ink and pencil on handmade  
paper, 69.3 x 52 cm



7. WALTER SIMSCH  
Self-Portrait (with pipe), 1932,  
watercolor and pencil on  
handmade paper, 62 x 48.5 cm



8. HEINRICH EHMTSEN  
Self-Portrait (with palette),  
1931, watercolor and pencil  
on cardboard, 58.5 x 44.2 cm





# FIDELITY CRISIS

THERE'S MORE TO THE AMERICAN CHURCH'S  
TRAVAILS THAN MALFEASANT BISHOPS  
AND CRIMINAL PRIESTS



BY GEORGE WEIGEL

AS THE LONG LENT OF 2002 stretches into another year, it is reasonable to ask ourselves a question of proportion: Are Catholics in fact living through the most serious crisis in the history of the Church in the United States? What about the lay trusteeship battles of the pre-Civil War period? The struggles to assimilate immigrant communities? The Civil War itself (in which Catholics were the only Christian community not to divide into northern and southern branches)? The attacks by the Know-Nothings of the antebellum era and by the anti-Catholic bigots of the late 19th

century? These were all genuine crises. But the Long Lent of 2002, which seems likely to continue for some time, is an even more serious crisis, I think. Struggles about the control of Church property have gone on for centuries; anti-Catholic prejudice has been a staple throughout history. This crisis is different.

It is different because it is self-generated, rather than caused by the Church's external critics or enemies. And it is different because it is the product of another, deeper crisis—a spiritual crisis, a crisis of fidelity. Moreover, the crisis has become a major obstacle to the Church's public witness at precisely the moment when the Church's teaching about the dignity of the human person is so desperately needed in our society and culture.

In the thought-world of the Bible, "crisis" has two meanings. A crisis is a cataclysmic upheaval—the familiar sense of the term. But the Bible also speaks of "crisis" as opportunity, a moment ripe with the potential for deeper conversion. The cataclysmic aspect of today's Catholic crisis is all too familiar: A scandal of clerical sexual misbehavior was transformed into a genuine crisis by a parallel failure in governance by the bishops of the Church. But what about the opportunity?

The opportunity embedded in this crisis is to complete the reform of the Church according to the teaching of Vatican II as authentically interpreted by Pope John Paul II. The opportunity, in other words, is for a genuinely *Catholic* reform of the Church—not the transformation of Catholicism into another American "denomination," not Catholic Lite. Only the authentic reform of Catholic belief and practice will enable the Church to become what it must in 21st-

century America: a vibrant evangelical movement that proclaims the Gospel in and out of season and that, in doing so, helps rebuild a culture of life capable of sustaining the great American experiment in democratic self-government.

THE SCANDAL of clergy sexual abuse has many dimensions: psychological, legal, even political. But viewed from inside, as Catholics should view it—that is, considered *theologically*—the scandal of clerical sexual abuse and misbehavior is rooted in a crisis of priestly identity. A priest who truly believes himself to be what the Catholic Church teaches he is—an icon, a living representation of the eternal priesthood of Jesus Christ—does not behave as a sexual predator. The crisis of priestly identity that followed the Second Vatican Council led to a crisis of priestly discipline, including sexual self-discipline.

But the crisis has also been one of episcopal leadership. It is instructive to note that the deepest anger of Catholics in the past year or so has been reserved for bishops—specifically, for bishops who seem to have done little or nothing to address the problem of sexual scandal; bishops whose primary efforts seemed directed at keeping the scandals out of the public eye; bishops who seemingly did little to reach out to victims.

Catholics intuitively understand that strong episcopal leadership is essential in the Church. Catholics similarly understand that with bold—even *adequate*—episcopal leadership, marked by a willingness to face facts and undertake genuine reforms, a pattern of clerical sexual scandal need not have developed into the greatest crisis in U.S. Catholic history. It did so because of the bishops' failure to lead; and that failure was the product of a crisis of episcopal identity.

The failures of governance that turned a significant and

Opposite: A Boston protest in early December, days before Cardinal Bernard Law's resignation as archbishop





From top: Attorney Mitchell Garabedian (left) with alleged clergy sexual abuse victims; relatives of an alleged victim of child-molester priest John Geoghan; Cardinal Francis George of the Chicago Archdiocese, a member of the Vatican-American commission appointed by the Vatican to review the U.S. bishops' zero-tolerance policy regarding clergy sexual abuse

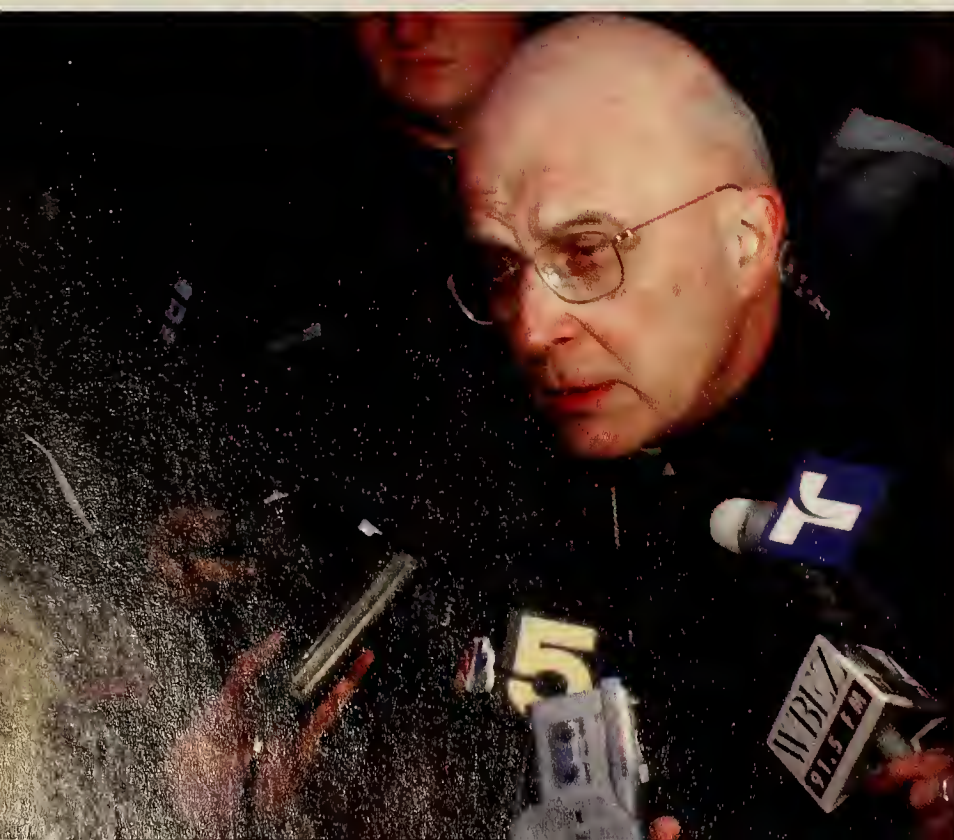


urgent problem of clerical sexual abuse into a full-blown crisis touched all three of the bishops' classic roles: to teach, to govern, and to sanctify. Too many bishops have failed to ensure that the true relationship of the Catholic priesthood to celibate chastity has been effectively taught in seminaries. Too many bishops have failed to move swiftly and decisively to see that clerical sexual predators are no longer a danger to the Church. Too many bishops have failed to act as pastors to the victims of clerical sexual abuse, and as agents of repentance and reconciliation in their local churches. Too many bishops, in other words, have reacted to the multiple problems posed by the meltdown of priestly discipline and the outbreak of sexual abuse as managers, not as apostles.

At its core, though, the Catholic crisis today is one of discipleship—a crisis caused by an insufficiency of saints, a deficit in sanctity. And because sanctity is every Catholic's baptismal vocation, all of us have a responsibility to help turn crisis-as-cataclysm into crisis-as-opportunity.

We exercise that responsibility in different ways, and genuinely Catholic reform means recognizing that. Genuinely Catholic reform doesn't involve lay Catholics becoming pseudo-clerics, or ordained Catholics becoming laicized in their understanding of what it means to be a priest or bishop. At the bottom of the bottom line, this crisis will become an opportunity if all people of the Church make it the occasion to live more thoroughly, intentionally, radically Christian lives—if Catholics believe that the adventure of orthodoxy, the adventure of fidelity, is the greatest of human adventures, and if Catholics live that belief daily.

The famous Gospel scene of Peter and Jesus on the Sea of Galilee is instructive. When Peter keeps his eyes fixed on the Lord, he can do what seems impossible: He can walk on water. When he averts his gaze from Christ, when he begins looking elsewhere for his security, he sinks. We, too, can do the impossible *if* we keep our gaze fixed on Christ—and that is as true of the Church as it is of individual Christians. When we look elsewhere, we sink. And a Church flailing about in the white water of late modernity is not the reformed Church that John XXIII called for in opening the Second Vatican Council, 40 years ago this past October.



IT IS JUST as important to understand what the crisis is not as to understand what it is. This is not a crisis of celibacy, or a crisis caused by celibacy. At the most elementary level, and in its scandal dimension, the crisis was caused by men *not* living the celibate commitment they promised to Christ and



the Church. To blame the crisis on celibacy makes as much sense as blaming treason on the Pledge of Allegiance.

It is similarly spurious to suggest that this crisis wouldn't have happened if the Church had a married clergy. In the first place, denominations with married clergy have their own serious problems of clerical sexual misconduct and abuse, and some of the accounts that we have suggest that these problems are at least as bad as what we find in the Catholic Church. At a deeper, theological level, to suggest that marriage would "prevent" sexual predation traduces that covenant of mutual love and receptivity to a crime-prevention program.

Nor is this a crisis caused by the Church's alleged "authoritarianism." To begin with, a scandal of sexual misconduct was turned into a crisis precisely because of failures to exercise genuine authority by the ordained heads of local churches. Beyond that, the charge makes no sense because the Catholic Church is not an "authoritarian" institution. Rather, the Church is a communion of disciples formed by

Finally, this is not a crisis caused by the Church's sexual ethic. As with celibacy, the empirical case is clear: In its scandal dimension, this is a crisis caused by a catastrophic failure to live the truth of the Church's sexual ethic. And that failure, in turn, was influenced by a failure to understand and celebrate the Church's sexual ethic, which lifts up and ennobles the gift of sexual love within the bond of faithful and fruitful marriage. The truth of the matter, brilliantly displayed in Pope John Paul II's "theology of the body," is that the Catholic Church has a more deeply humanistic view of human sexuality than the worlds represented by *Playboy* and *Cosmopolitan*—worlds in which sex has been reduced and traduced into simply another contact sport. If we take history seriously, can we doubt that the toxic effects of the sexual revolution have themselves played a role in the crisis of clerical sexual misconduct?

Permit me to suggest, then, that Catholic universities and colleges where the Catholic sexual ethic is treated intellectually as a curious medieval artifact, and where the Church's

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an *authoritative* tradition and accountable to that authoritative tradition.

So too, descriptions of this as a "pedophilia crisis" are misplaced. That tag quickly got applied to the crisis because of the Geoghan case in Boston, which did involve classic pedophilia, the sexual abuse of prepubescent children. Still, the fragmentary empirical evidence available from the cases that have been brought to public attention in the past year suggest that this disgusting form of sexual predation is not the most prevalent form of clerical sexual abuse, which involves the homosexual abuse of teenagers and young men by priests.

And despite charges by some Catholics here and around the world, this is not a crisis created by the media. The media have created distortions and exaggerations, to be sure: Giving the impression that the sexual abuse of the young was a major, ongoing, and widespread fact of life in Catholicism in the United States was a disservice to the truth. But there is also a case to be made that the Church owes some elements of the media a debt of gratitude for forcing to the surface issues that many Church leaders themselves seemed reluctant to deal with.

sexual ethic has no discernible place in the ordering of college life, are not institutions from which we can expect adequate analyses of the current Catholic crisis, or adequate prescriptions for genuinely Catholic reform.

THE ROOTS of today's crisis are obviously complex, involving both institutional and personal failure.

Let me suggest, though, that the best way to understand why this happened *when* it did and *how* it did is to understand it as an *ecological* crisis: a crisis caused by a deeply damaged Catholic ecology that, like all damaged ecologies, eventually produced mutations and diseases. The damaged ecology of the Church has multiple causes, but we can begin to get a grip on the problem by recognizing that a culture of dissent in the Church, which broke out in earnest in the wake of the 1968 encyclical on contraception, *Humanae Vitae*, led to a kind of invisible schism in Catholic life—a rupture that was to have profound behavioral consequences.

Let me be quite clear about what I mean here. By "culture of dissent," I do not mean that normal and healthy questioning and probing of the truths of the faith that is the

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# CAMPAIGN PROGRESS

With just months to go, results build

## FAMILY STYLE

Blane Walter '93 and his wife, Claudia '93, with brother Peter Walter '98 and his wife, Jessica '98, are celebrating their upcoming reunions by joining with their parents, Robert and Margaret Walter, to contribute \$250,000 to the University. The Walters established the Walter Family Scholarship Fund while their sons were students. They have expressed their continuing commitment to BC by matching their sons' recent gifts to the Walter Family Scholarship Fund in honor of their upcoming 5th- and 10th-year class reunions. The Walter family is based in Columbus, Ohio. An annual report to the family from the University provides profiles of the scholarship recipients, and the students themselves provide an annual update to the family. "This is a great way to experience a continuing and direct connection to Boston College," says Blane Walter. "Those were some of the best years of my life. I want others to have the same opportunity."

## LIFE'S WORK

Cecilia Whitney, a longtime employee of Boston College, left a bequest with her sister, Anna, to establish the Thomas H. and Annie M. Whitney Scholarship Fund in memory of their parents. At age 28, Ms. Whitney gave up a teaching job in Maine to return to Brighton, Massachusetts, and care for her mother while her three sisters worked. Following her mother's death, she joined the staff of the Alumni Association. According to colleague Janet Kelly, Whitney "had a sense of dignity and comportment akin to her generation. She endeared herself to everyone." Lacking the opportunity to attend college herself, Whitney contributed to the administration and planning of BC's Alumni Association as a supervisor until her retirement.



Fr. Leahy with Chicago cochairs (from left) Matt Botica '72 and Christine Botica, Mary Casey '78 and Brian Casey '76

Announcing the \$400 million goal for the Ever to Excel campaign in the fall of 1999, University President William P. Leahy, SJ, spoke of the transforming effect the campaign would have on the University. With the campaign concluding on May 31, 2003, the transformations are apparent and the goal is sure to be surpassed, say Boston College officials.

Concerning the progress thus far, Leahy says, "This has been an overwhelmingly successful fundraising campaign. The generosity of our Boston College family is extraordinary, and our goal is surely within our grasp."

Under the leadership of the campaign's cochairs and executive committee, more than 76 gifts in excess of \$1 million have been secured that will

provide needed support for professorships, scholarship, faculty research, new buildings, and operating funds. With the efforts of the national campaign committee, giving in the range of \$100,000 to \$999,000 has almost doubled compared with BC's previous campaign. "This type of momentum is astounding and gratifying," says cochair Jack Connors, Jr. '63, chairman and CEO of Hill, Holliday, Connors, Cosmopulos. "Because of our alumni, parents, and friends, we can expand all the possibilities at Boston College."

At the foundation of the effort is the work of the annual giving societies. The Boston College Fund, which includes gifts of \$1 to \$99,999, has set an annual goal of \$16.6 million. Fides chair Ann Finck '66

is delighted at the progress. "Our 2003 goal is 3,063 pledges, and we are well on our way to achieving that," she says. "We anticipate a strong response from our devoted membership, as well as a good response from first-time members, especially young alumni."

President's Circle chair Randy Seidl '85 has made a concentrated effort this year to strengthen that society's volunteer corps. The team has set a goal of 520 gifts by May 2003 (individual gifts from \$5,000 to \$9,999). The Gasson Society recognizes donors who give \$10,000 or more; in 2002—only its third year—its 40 volunteers, led by John Powers '73, managing director of Goldman Sachs, attracted 331 donors, putting them on track to meet their goal of 665 pledges by May 31, 2003.



Dear Boston College/Newton College alumnus/a,

Spring brings renewal and hope at the Heights. During this Lenten season, we rejoice in the many blessings that Boston College affords us as alumni. The Center of Ignatian Spirituality produced a new version of *The Red Book*, written to introduce the reader to Boston College as a Jesuit and Catholic institution. It also explains something of the distinctive spiritual vision that led to the founding of Boston College and that still animates BC today. If you are interested in receiving a copy of *The Red Book*, we would be pleased to send you a complimentary copy. You may request the book by sending a request to [alumni.comments@bc.edu](mailto:alumni.comments@bc.edu).



The Church in the 21st Century (Church 21) program continues to provide thoughtful dialogue and discourse on the crisis in the Church and the opportunities for reform and renewal. Father Leahy participated in Church 21 dialogues with alumni, parents and friends, sponsored by the BCAA national clubs in San Francisco, Chicago and New York. The events were followed by a reception with Father Leahy. A calendar of events in the Church21 initiative is available on the Church 21 Web site at [www.bc.edu/church21](http://www.bc.edu/church21).

The Alumni Association is pleased to announce the launch of a national club network in the fall of 2003. We have received approval for two full-time associate/assistant directors and a support position to bring the Boston College network to a national level. Jack Moynihan, senior associate director, will oversee the program, and you can read more details on the national plan in Jack's letter on page 31 of this section. This spring the BCAA will also be reaching out to alumni to participate in focus groups aimed at articulating the expectations for BCAA programming, services, leadership opportunities and outreach to our alumni. We view each alumna and alumnus as stakeholders at Boston College, and we aspire to find ways of engaging you in the mission of BC, and together promoting this great university.

The nominating committee of the BCAA Board of Directors has assembled a talented and diversified ballot for your consideration. We encourage your participation in the national election to select board members for the coming year. Kudos to nominating chair Dennis "Razz" Berry '70, J.D. '73 and nominating chair-elect Brian Kickham '79 and their committee for a job well done with the national ballot for this year's election.

Thank you to outgoing president, Charles J. Heffernan, Jr. '66, for his leadership and service to the BCAA Board of Directors. John J. Griffin '65 will assume the role of president in June 2003. We thank all of the board for their time, talent and leadership as we work to further the mission of Boston College.

We hope that you will participate in the many traditions—old and new—this spring. Please log onto the Web site to get updated information on éire | land at the McMullen Museum, the Alumni Evening at the Arts Festival, the Spring Family Day, Laetare Sunday, the Second Helping Gala, Commencement, Reunion 2003, service opportunities and travel programs.

We encourage you to join the 19,186 alumni who have registered for the online community by logging onto the alumni Web site at [www.bc.edu/alumni](http://www.bc.edu/alumni). The online community provides an updated directory of alumni, a link to the career network and information on the many services provided to you as an alumnus/a of Boston College. Take a minute and register this spring!

Ever to excel,

*Grace Cotter Regan '82*

Grace Cotter Regan '82  
Executive Director



## ALUMNI ASSOCIATION CLASS NOTES





For some people,  
2003 is not just another year.  
Return to Boston, and remember.

Join classmates at the Heights this spring  
for a weekend of connection and recollection.

Watch for the reunion brochure in the coming days,  
and visit [www.bc.edu/reunion](http://www.bc.edu/reunion)  
for all the latest reunion information  
and to register online.

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classes of 1953, 1958 and 1978

may 30 - june 1

classes of 1963, 1968, 1973, 1983, 1988, 1993, 1998  
and Newton College 1958, 1963, 1968 and 1973

# save the date

**THE REGIONAL CLUB NETWORK** continues to grow, thanks to our dedicated club leaders—listed below—and to you, club members and supporters. In the coming months, the Alumni Association will continue to explore ways of expanding and improving the club network, nationally and internationally. Throughout this process, we welcome your suggestions and feedback on existing and potential programs and events. We are currently seeking volunteers for four clubs—Baltimore, Maryland; Worcester, Massachusetts; Northern New Jersey; and Syracuse and Rochester, New York. If you would like to nominate someone, are interested in serving in one of these areas or would like more information, please contact Jack Moynihan, senior associate director, at 617-552-4700 or [jack.moynihan@bc.edu](mailto:jack.moynihan@bc.edu). Regional clubs allow alumni, parents and friends of Boston College to reconnect and support the mission of the University in meaningful and tangible ways. For more information on regional clubs, visit [www.bc.edu/alumni](http://www.bc.edu/alumni).

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The most memorable news is about **Jim Kavanaugh**. You know **Herb Kenney** had me solicit for the Laetare Sunday, and one of the best responses came from Dr. Kavanaugh. At the last Laetare Sunday breakfast he had two tables with all the members of his family. Two of his sons had graduated from Boston College and his daughter Maureen is leading oncologist at the Boston University Medical Center in Boston. • The Alumni Association sent me the list of the members of our class who are still alive. As a result of the letter we sent to each and every one of them, there were several responses. One of the most interesting ones was a letter from attorney **John Walter Tierney**, who spends his life as a bird of passage between West Hartford and Florida. He sports a license plate "BC" issued by the State of Connecticut. He said that he is frequently stopped and asked about the license plate and he is happy to advise them that he is a Triple Eagle. • **James W. Scannell's** family advised me that John died in November 22, 1998. • A letter to **Peter Seward** brought back the fact that he passed away just a few weeks ago in Homestead, FL, which is not too far away from where **Ike Ezmunt** is living. Ike has given up golf and is going to spend most of his time reading the Bible. Peter Seward's son-in-law David Barry advised me that Pete has a daughter, Anne Marie Barry, who has been a professor in the Communication Department at Boston College since 1984. I wish I had known that. I would have had my granddaughter introduce herself to her. My granddaughter graduated last year, in 2001. David Barry, Peter's son-in-law who gave me the information, is a lawyer and teaches at Salem State College. • I spoke with **Timothy L. Curran**, and he advised me that he has become a bird of passage, spending half of

his time in Florida and the other half in Avon, CT. He advised me that he had published a book embracing the recollection of his forty years of practice as a doctor. It was published under the title of *The Joy and Tears of a Doctor*. I hope that everyone reading this column will buy a copy of the book.

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Our volleyball team has been invited by our enthusiastic sponsor, Geritol, to give a demonstration in Harare, Zimbabwe of the sport by men of mature age. The average lifespan in that country is forty-nine years and Geritol sees it as a good market for its product. The demonstration would take place in the courtyard of the presidential palace and Mugabe, himself, would probably take an active part. We hope he doesn't fall in love with the sport and keep the team there, or worse still, come back here with it. • We are still looking for a chairman for our sixtieth reunion. Please consider it. There are only two qualifications: he must be able to walk up to the microphone unaided and be able to speak coherently. • Now, for some sad reality. We have lost two of the members of our 1935 family during the month of November: Ann, the widow of **Henry Ohrenberger**, and **Joe Foley**, the leading citizen of Natick, whose accomplishments included a law degree, a captaincy in WWII and a term as commissioner of probation for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Joe wore his honors modestly and was active in town affairs.

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In early fall I had a very nice note from Mary Cahill, widow of classmate **Bob Cahill**, who was vice president of our class. She wrote to say she was sorry to hear we had to cancel our Class Luncheon. Thanks, Mary, for the nice note. In December, I had a nice note from Dr. **Ed Kickham**. Ed had been an orthopedic surgeon in Saginaw, MI for many years. He now is living in an assisted living home in Saginaw. Other than some of the ailments that plague us all at this time of our life, Ed's in good shape. He sends hellos and best wishes to all classmates. • Sorry to have to report the death of Vin Esposito last June. Vin lived in Medford and had retired as assistant director of medical care for the Massachusetts Department of Public Welfare. Please remember him in your prayers. In November, the *Boston Globe* ran an interesting and complimentary article on the O'Neill Library, which is open most nights until 1:00 a.m., and is open to the public. "All politics is local"—Tip would

love to have the library open to all at any time! **Mark Dalton's** wife, Barbara, died in November. During WWII, she was in the WAVES and, like Mark, served in Naval Intelligence and received a presidential citation for her distinguished service. The Daltons had retired to South Woodstock, VT. Please remember Barbara, Mark and family in your prayers. • **Frank Hilbrunner's** wife, Dorothy, is presently in the Clark House Rehab Hospital in Westwood, recovering from a fall. Happy to say she is recovering very well. Although you won't see the Notes until late winter I hope you all had a nice Christmas and wish all a Happy 2003.

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The Boston College Alumni Office has received word of the passing of **John H. Pike** of Belmont, who died August 15, 2002, at Belmont. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy, three daughters, and four grandchildren. We also sadly announce the passing of **Casper "Cappy" Ferguson**. He died on Sunday, September 29, of complications from a fall. The University Historian stated that he was the first African-American to graduate from Boston College. Casper was a chemist who, following his army service, was employed at the US Army Laboratories at Natick for many years. He served on the Newton Board of Appeals for twenty years, and was involved in many other charitable and service activities. He also found time for a little bit of tennis. Casper is survived by his wife, Hazell Lomax, his son, Christopher, of Newton, and three grandchildren. The sympathy of the class is extended to the families of these two classmates.

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These notes are being written just after Thanksgiving and before we know whether or not BC's up-and-down football record will see them in a Somewhere Bowl or not. Oh, well! The really good news is that, as of now (and hopefully many tomorrows), we have no saddening obituary notices to report. Instead, there is good news. First, our annual memorial Mass and luncheon were held on schedule. The Mass was celebrated by Edward Hanrahan, SJ, and attended by the following classmates, widows, and family members: **Anne Branca**, **Herb** and **Beryl Chernack**, **Eleanor Doherty**, **Bill** and **Winifred**



Donovan, Anne Donovan, Nelson Erickson, Paul and Florence Keane, Peter Kerr, Larry Fitzgerald, John and Elaine Lynch, Fred Molloy, Anne Peyton, Edmund and Barbara Quinn, Paul Ryan and daughter, and Arthur Sullivan. In addition, welcome communiqués asking for our updated Class Directory were received from **Paul Flynn**, **Joe Sammartino**, and Father **James Sullivan**. All are in good health and presently enjoying the sunshine in Florida and California. We still have directories ready to mail out to those requesting them. On this good news front, **Nelson and Jane Erickson**, accompanied by daughter Ruth '72 and son John (BU '89), had a grand trip through Spain, Portugal and Morocco. More recently, Mary and I spent some happy days climbing the hills of San Francisco and enjoying a visit with our eldest grandson and his charming wife. This good news was followed by a newspaper story reporting the surprise visited on **Frank Brennan** when he attended a Bentley College public lecture presented by his son, Jack Brennan. Suddenly, Frank was called up to the stage by Bentley College President Joseph Morone and awarded an honorary degree in recognition of his significant contributions to the financial and business world as the founder and former chairman of the Massachusetts Business Development Corp. and as former president of the Union Warren Bank. Congratulations, Frank! And congratulations, too, are in order for another California classmate, **Tom Bradley**. His daughter, Stephanie, in a welcome e-mail letter, has updated us with the good news that her wonderful father is now four-score and seven years young and is the proud father of seven children, the grandfather of fourteen and the great-grandfather of four more. "He's sharp as a tack, drives a navy blue Fleetwood Cadillac, is an avid Padres and Charger fan and a right-wing Republican." Congratulations, Tom, and best wishes! Okay, I've run out of good news so I'll quit while I'm ahead. But wait a minute—the Alumni Office just spoiled the picture with a press clipping regarding the death in Connecticut of our classmate, **Jim Comerford**. An Old Saybrook resident, Jim served in the Army during WWII and then taught high school English for a few years before becoming a long-time writer and editor of technical manuals at the Naval Underwater System Center. Our sympathy and our prayers are extended to his wife and family. On this sad note, I'll stop with the reminder that, given the actuarial realities, our prayers also include classmates and spouses who may be experiencing health problems. I'll still be looking for some updating word from all of you. Peace!

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These gems will be published just about the time the class is preparing for its annual memorial Mass, this year being our twenty-sixth. The twenty-fifth, celebrated on May 9, 2002 was memorable for the fine attendance. The printed list found in the pews of Trinity Chapel at the Newton Campus (the Law School) of those deserving our prayers grows longer each year of course. Not surprisingly, and characteristic of the commuter generation that studied under the Linden trees, are found the names of six **Sullivans**, namely, **George F.**, **Herbert J.**, **John J. (Jr.)**, **Michael W.**, **Walter J.** and **William D. (SJ)**. Next in number came, you guessed it, the **O'Briens**, **Daniel J.**, **Francis M.**, and **Francis X.** But we have an e-mail that another should have been added to the list, **George T. O'Brien**. His daughter Helen would like the class to know that George died on July 5, 2001. Most of us who were Sodalists remember George well. We appreciate the word received from Helen O'Brien Dunn of Falmouth, herself a member of the Class of 1989.

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This column had a submission date of December 9, 2002. My last column ended with the comment that the football season was about to commence and with a wish that it would be a successful venture. Needless to now say, the 2002 season was very successful, with eight wins and four losses, resulting in a bowl bid on December 26, 2002 to the Detroit Motor City Bowl. • A few good bounces and luck would have resulted in a more highly rated bowl bid. However, it is a fitting and significant reward to the entire program of athletes, coaches, band, cheerleaders and other personnel and ensures their participation in one more game together. The class wishes all of the above the best always. Congratulations to Coach Tom O'Brien and his staff for four successive bowl appearances and instilling the necessity of loyalty, honor and dedication, thus overcoming completely the unfortunate activity and publicity before his arrival at BC. • President **Nick Sottile** advised that he has been in contact with Bishop **Joe Maguire** (always my cardinal choice), **George McManama**, **John Colahan**, **John Cullen** and **Jack Jensen**. All were well and wish to express their greetings to all the class. • **Jim Murray** maintains close contact with **Dave Merrick**, a Florida resident, and advised that Dave had a hip operation. Surgery was performed by Dr. Toczyłowski, son of our classmate **Hank Toczyłowski**. • **Len Frisoli** has once again been commended by the National Football League as their Northeast representative in security matters. He is now assisted by his son, **Larry Frisoli**, a former FBI agent. Both operate a highly regarded security agency.

• **Jack Kehoe** is recuperating from recent surgery in the care of his loving family. • **Dave Merrick** called from Florida to advise he is doing well, playing golf regularly and is a club champ with a seven handicap. His regards sent to all. • **Fred Jaquith** advised of the death of classmate **Philip M. Murphy** of Paoli, PA, in July 2002. Phil's wife, Frances, and Fred's wife, Mary, were classmates at Emanuel College. • **George F. Kerivan** died December 15, 2002. George was an excellent athlete at BC, and later was respected as an excellent teacher and football and baseball coach at Wellesley High School, where his teams excelled in performance. • **Ralph A. Struzziero** died December 3, 2002. He was residing in Cape Elizabeth, ME. He was a prominent dentist in Randolph for almost thirty years. He also was a professor at Tufts University and Boston University's dental school. • As the Christmas season will soon be with us, your correspondent wishes all who remain a Blessed New Year and hope 2003 will see all of together again in health and happiness in the hands of the Lord and his Blessed Mother. • It is difficult to write this column without your help so please stay in touch and drop a note.

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I quote from a note from **John Fitzgerald** on the death of **Bill Duggan** on September 15, 2002. "Bill had lived in the Syracuse area for more than fifty years. He had his own insurance agency. Bill was a faithful member of the class. He attended every reunion through the fifty-seventh. After that, bad health of himself and of his wife, Fran, made it impossible to attend. However, he never lost interest in our football team. He is survived by his wife, Fran, son, Danny, and daughter, Cathy." In a subsequent note, dated November 5, 2002, John says, "good news for a change." He then tells about the special Mass celebrated on November 7, 2002 in St. Mary's Chapel, wherein **Frank Nicholson** was recognized for his sixty years in the Society of Jesus. • **Bob Drinan** received similar honors in a ceremony at Georgetown University. To both Frank and Bob, our sincerest congratulations. • Those of us who took math in freshman year may remember the then Mr. Harry Ball, SJ. His priestly service took him to the missions and we became pen pals. I had the pleasure of being invited to a reception in his honor at his sister, Mary Catherine's, home in Squantum. Father Ball retired to Weston, where he died on November 11, 2002. In addition to Mary Catherine, the class extends sincere sympathies to his three other sisters, Sister Marie Henry, Sister Catherine St. Alice and Sister Virginia, all Sisters of Notre Dame. Father Ball will be remembered at our Annual Memorial



Mass next June. • More sad news. On November 13, 2002, we lost **James Francis Doherty**, better known as Fran Doherty. One of his many contributions to the baseball team was a one-hitter against Dartmouth as a freshman. Fran had a long, productive career as the chief probation officer for Norfolk County Superior Court. Included among his subordinates was my son, Ernest J., Jr. His widow, Thelma, and their son, Thomas, will be invited to join us at our annual memorial Mass in June 2003. Please remember Fran in your prayers. • We've had our ups (Notre Dame) and downs (West Virginia) this past football season. Nevertheless, as I write this, the team became bowl-eligible by soundly defeating Syracuse, followed by victories over Temple and Rutgers. I suggest that we can be equally proud of our hockey teams, both men and women, and our women's basketball team, all of which bring prestige to the Boston College athletic program. • I received a combination Thanksgiving and Christmas card from Nancy Freni. She was quite pleased to learn that Bill would be remembered at our annual memorial Mass. She has relocated to 435 Walnut St., Apt. 10, San Carlos, CA 94070. Drop her a line. • We shall truly miss Eleanor Maguire, who died on November 2, 2002 after a long illness. She was loyal to BC and rarely, if ever, missed a class function. Weather and age, along with a period of hospitalization, prevented me from attending her funeral Mass. I understand, however, that the class was well represented. Yes, we shall truly miss her. We extend sincerest sympathies to her four children and eight grandchildren, all of whom are invited to join us at our annual memorial Mass next June, at which time Eleanor, along with deceased classmates, will be remembered. • Incidentally, my personal thanks for the "get well" cards received during my aforesaid hospitalization.

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As we begin this column, we regret to inform classmates of another "death in the family." Father **Jim Doyle**, CSC, died October 13 in St. Luke's Hospital, New Bedford. Fr. Jim was an Army vet and was ordained a priest in 1950 and served in the theology department at Kings College in Pennsylvania for many years before retiring in 1992, when he was then named chairman of the theology department at St. Pius X Diocesan Seminary in Dalton, PA. With many thanks to Jim Degiacomo '52, we have learned that brother **Bob Degiacomo** has moved from the warm climes of New Mexico to 11738 98th Place, SW, Vachon, WA 98007, which is a suburb of Seattle. Speaking of moving, we also learn that Mary and **Ed McEnroe** have moved to the warmer

climates at 19375 Cypress Ridge Terrace, No.417, Lansdowne, VA, 20176-7732. And more moves, though only while traveling, Ellie and **Bob Casey** went to Santa Barbara, CA for a granddaughter's wedding. In the big news, our career man in the Foreign Service, **Yale Richmond**, donated a Torah to BC's Center for Christian-Jewish Learning. This Torah was rescued from a burning synagogue during the Holocaust by a Catholic priest who later, in 1960, gave it to Yale—then the cultural attache at the American Embassy in Poland. Considering the years involved, we had a decent turnout at our October 2 Fall Festival. Congratulations to **Joe O'Neill**, who was the first respondent. Among the widows with us were Mary Boudreau, Carol Finnegan and Agnes Lyons. We also heard from Bernadette Corbett, Marie Brown, Ruth Kelleher and Helen O'Meara. From sunny California, **Elmo Bregoli** would like to come, but he tells us the MTA only runs to LA! Belatedly, from Watertown, NY, Eleanor (Honey) Canale (**Rocco Canale's** widow) sadly informs us she lost her only daughter, Christine, on Christmas Eve 2001 after some surgery. Going back to the Fall Festival, we wish to extend our sincere thanks to **Tom Manning** and **Jack Hayes** for their kind assistance at the Mass. We have not room to mention all those who attended this affair, but we do thank all the folks who had contributed to the success and look forward to seeing all of you at any sixtieth reunion event that may come up. Keep watch on your mail for any details of future events and don't forget, keep in touch.

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Sixty years ago, on March 29, 1943, 150 students in BC's Army Reserve program entrained for Camp Devens after attending Mass in St. Mary's Chapel and listening to the Alma Mater's Farewell delivered by **William J. Leonard**, SJ. (Full text is published in '44 *Sub Turri*, following the Class Will). At deadline time this December, a welcome letter came from **John Finigan** of Concord, where he and Eleanor (Sullivan), his bride of fifty-three years, have resided. From that "farm country," John commuted to BC in the '40s, before going off to the army, to Georgetown, The University of Michigan, OCS and the army's language specialist program. A close friend of '44 leader, the late **Jim Dowd**, he teamed with Jim and classmates, raising funds and giving generously to BC for our Golden Jubilee reunion. The Finigan clan can claim four generations at the Heights, with a granddaughter now a sophomore and Rt. Rev. William B. Finigan in BC Class of 1900. I look forward to meeting John one of these days at the "bridge that arched the

flood." The Fall 2000 issue of this Magazine brought us sad news of the passing of classmate **Walter J. McLaughlin**, biology major, who served as a first lieutenant, a navigator with Army Air Force in the South Pacific in the War. On return home, he received a master's degree from Babson College and married Rita (Fairburn) of Haverhill, making their home in Lawrence, where they raised their six children. Walter and Rita had sixteen grandchildren. Walter retired in 1983 after a career in advertising with the *Boston Herald*. Please keep Walter, Rita and their family in your prayers. Two Golden Eagles who had served in the Navy died recently: **Ed O'Keefe** in July 2002 and **Charlie Manning** in August 2002. Edward Joseph O'Keefe, retired bank president and long-time avid golfer, had served in the Navy as commanding officer of an LST. Married to Therese M. Foley, a '44 grad of Regis College, they had five children and eleven grandchildren, making their home for many years in West Dennis on the Cape. Edward's career was initially with John Hancock and National Cash Register and then in banking, including a position as president of Shawmut, in Brockton. We keep Ed, Therese and their family in our prayers. Charles Manning served in the Navy as a line officer in the Central and South Pacific in WWII. Before departing the heights in 1943 for Notre Dame's midshipman program, he passed on to **Steve Savro** the reins of managing editor of the '44 *Sub Turri*. Charlie, an accounting major, was actively involved with *Stylus*, *The Heights*, Sodality, dramatics, music and more. His energy and follow-through carried over to his career in financial and general management in the aviation, aerospace, power tools and pharmaceutical industries. Charlie and Claire Manning were parents of four children and eight grandchildren as of our fiftieth reunion. Charlie prized his "undergraduate philosophy menu" at Boston College. Note the slight change in e-mail address for Jim O'D.

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**John Craig**, who passed away in 1996, is being honored with the new health center in Waltham being named after him. This is a great honor for John and his family. His grandson is in the third grade at St. Jude's School, where the playground is dedicated to his grandfather, John. *The News Tribune* Waltham paper says of John: "He was an old-fashioned family doctor, helping generations of Waltham families deal with everything from the sniffles to a rare heart disease." John practiced medicine the way it should be and he is the last of his kind. One of his patients says of him: "Whenever you saw him at the door, you knew everything was going to be OK." I was with John in the



Navy V-12 program of Brown University as his roommate. He was a great student, dedicated to his studies and the Navy program. • On September 18, BC launched its initiative to consider the current crisis in the Catholic Church. In the Fall issue of *Boston College Magazine*, there are many articles about this first meeting, which four thousand people attended. I was there with Lillian and it was a great experience, so please take the time to read the fall issue. • The Boston College Alumni Achievement Awards Ceremony took place on September 26. As you may already know, I was pleased and proud to receive the William V. McKenney Award. This was an award for me and the great Class of '45 and I recognized the class and had all in attendance stand for a round of applause. I also recognized my wife and my family who, of course, played a big part in my receiving this most prestigious award. In attendance were **Bill Cornyn**, **Ernie** and **Helen Graustein**, **Dave** and **Clare Hern**, **Peg** and **Bud Curry**, **Joe Devlin**, **Leo McGrath**, **Connie** and **Jack Kineavy**, **Mary** and **Joe Figurito**, **MaryLou** and **Jack McCarthy**, **Paul Paget** and **Betty** and **Ed Burns**. • **Joe Cancelliere's** wife, **Anna**, has had successful bypass and aortic valve surgery and is recovering well on the Cape. **Betty Finnegan** is also doing well after a stroke. **Jack McCarthy's** wife, **Mary Lou**, is in rehabilitation after another successful knee operation. This is all of the medical news that I am aware of. • The Legends played at Joe Devlin's Qummaquid golf course last September. The team of **Ed Burns**, **Bill Hamrock**, **Dennis Condon** and **Joe Devlin** tied with **Bill Cornyn**, **Bud Curry** and **Jack McCarthy** with a score of 78—best fall of four. • The final match took place at Paul Ryder's Oyster Harbor Golf Course. The team of **Lou Sorgi**, **Dennis Condon**, **Bill Corbett** and guest took first place with two best ball score of 153. The real golfer of our class, **Jack Harvey** (79 on his own ball) led his team of **Ed Burns**, **Joe Devlin** and **Bud Curry** to second place. It was another year of great "Legend" golf. • It may seem to the readers of these notes that I write a great deal about "Legend Golf." It is true, because I get information on these events. I am willing to put everything about the class in these notes, but I must hear from you in order to do that. • Do you remember **Leo Quinlan**, who was a scholastic teacher for freshman e? He is still living as **Fr. Quinlan** at Weston, the Jesuit House in Weston. Please let me know if you remember him, and I will tell **Fr. Quinlan**. • The annual Scanlan Award Dinner took place on December 8. Senior safety **Doug Bessette** was this year's winner. This award is presented to the senior football player who best exemplifies the ideas of **Tom Scanlan**, scholar, athlete, gentleman and friend. The first two winners of this award, **Vic Pallidino** and **Tom Brenna**, started with us in 1941. The William J. Flynn Award

(MVP) went to running back **Derrick Knight** who ran over one thousand yards this year. The Eagles will have played in the Motor Bowl in Pontiac, MI (their fourth bowl appearance in a row) by the time you read these Notes. • Thanks to all of you who have responded to our request for dues. You do a great job every year. By the way, we will accept dues any time you send them in. • Thanks again, and don't forget the "Ever to Excel" campaign.

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**Ed King**, former governor of Massachusetts, was honored at the Navy vs. BC game this year. **Henry T. Burke** of Barrington, RI is semi-retired but still does some patent work. He and his wife **Jeanne** will be celebrating their fiftieth wedding anniversary in June 2003. They have seven children and eighteen grandchildren. Two daughters graduated from BC and one son graduated from BC Law. **Henry** and **Jeanne** recently took a three-month tour of the US and Canada. In the course of thirty years as a patent attorney, **Henry** and his wife have toured Australia, most of the countries in Europe, and have visited Japan about twenty times. • **Arthur C. Dorsey** of Albany, NY has been retired for five years. He and his wife, **Mary**, married fifty-two years, have one daughter and two grandchildren. They would like their granddaughter **Megan** to get into BC next year. In 1989 **Arthur** had heart bypass surgery and last year a hip replacement. • **Maurice L. Guss** of Frederick, MD and his wife have three children and four grandchildren. They have been married for fifty-six years. • **Robert E. Foy III** has been retired for three years. He and his wife, **Mildred**, married for fifty-one years, have five children, nine grandchildren and one great grandchild. As a season ticket holder, he attends all BC's football games. **Bob** informs me that **Francis Dunne** died in September 2002. • **Fred E. Maguire** retired in 1985 and moved to Casper, WY. He bagged an elk this fall, which makes six elks in six years. He and his wife, **Lois**, have three sons and six grandchildren and in June celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary. They have traveled to Ireland six times. **Fred's** father was baseball coach at BC in the 1940s. He

concluded his tenure with the 1949 NCAA NE championship, with seventeen wins and two losses. • **John W. DePass** from Florida has been retired for sixteen years. He and his wife, **Eleanor**, have eleven children. Their oldest son, **Jack**, died in May 2002. They have sixteen grandchildren—twelve boys and four girls—and two great granddaughters. **John** has some health problems but still enjoys golf and is active in choral groups. They celebrated their fifty-third wedding anniversary last October. • **Robert K. Houlihan** retired in 1994 and lives in Hilton Head, SC. **Carol** and he have three children. **Bob** is active in the Medicine Clinic, serving the underinsured. He is grand marshal for the Heritage Golf Tournament and the Celebrity Golf Tournament, the proceeds of which go to charity. They traveled throughout France in 2001 and are planning another trip there in 2003. There is a strong Notre Dame club in Hilton Head and right now **Bob** feels in the driver's seat. • **Bill Hamrock**, who practiced as a patent attorney in Kennebunkport, ME, has retired in Maine and spends the winters in Naples, FL. Married for forty-seven years, **Anne** and he have eight children and twelve grandchildren. He is in good health and has been swimming a half hour daily for the past twenty-five years. • **Ernest U. Curelli** and his wife, **Elena**, from Beverly Hills, FL have been married for fifty-three years. They have two sons. One son, **Tom**, is a graduate of the Coast Guard Academy with twenty years of service as naval architect and marine engineer. The other son, **John**, a 1972 graduate of Fairfield University, is Director of Inhalation Therapy at Martha's Vineyard Hospital. **Ernest** is active on the Welcome Committee at Our Lady of Grace in Florida. He has had an excellent recovery from heart surgery. • **Hugh F. Daly** has retired as a Lt. Colonel from the Army. He spent fifteen years in hospital social work and was director of Christ Hospital in Cincinnati, OH. **Helen** and he have been married for fifty-six years. **Hugh** is involved in charitable work at Mother of God Church in Covington, KY, volunteers at Half Way House-Safe House Parish Kitchen, and participates in the Land Mine Survivors National/International. **Helen** was recently honored as the Greater Cincinnati volunteer of the decade. Recognized for over twenty-five years as a staff/board volunteer, she is active in Northern Kentucky Catholic Social Services. **Hugh** keeps in touch with **Bill Boodro**, with whom he grew up in Roslindale. • **Bill Melville** and his wife, **Irene**, went on a cruise to celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary. While on the cruise, **Bill** suffered a heart attack. After several harrowing experiences he finally received treatment at a hospital in Miami. Fortunately, **Bill** is home now and his recovery is going quite well. Please plan ahead to attend our fifty-fifth class reunion in May 2003! Please submit your updates to the above e-mail address.



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The Class Notes has a new Communications Assistant: Nathan Lindsey is on board. So many changes in such a short period; Flaherty continues as your Class Correspondent. At our class meeting on October 25, held at the Alumni House, I was reelected by a slim margin. The money I threw into the campaign truly paid off. • **John McQuillen**, who had already announced his plans to retire, ran the meeting in his usual professional manner. He thanked the class for the honor of leading us during our fiftieth anniversary. John was presented a fitting gift, a paperweight with a sketch of Gasson Hall, where we spent countless hours as underclassmen. • **John Carney** was elected as our new leader by acclamation. Nominated by **Bill Cohan**, after a meeting of **John Hickey**, **Peter Rogerson** and **Shag** in a smoke-filled room, the movement swept through Alumni Hall. The nominations were closed and John is now our fearless leader. • Also attending the meeting were **Lou Visco**, **Jake Emmons**, **Jack Waite**, **Jim Galvin**, **Father Paul McCarthy**, **Bill McCool** and **John Forkin**. Many classmates sent their regrets because of schedule conflicts. **Hank Barry**, from New London, NH, was recuperating from a new hip operation. Always ready to go, he must hate to be incapacitated in any way. • So what did our new leader do after his smashing election? He took Madelyn to Paris, where he became sick. He finally found a French doctor who spoke English. It took John several doctors before he found one who prescribed Irish whiskey as a cure. • He is home and raring to go. Already making plans for a class get-together to view a show at Robsham Theater on the Friday before Easter. The musical, *A Little Night Music*, by Stephen Sondheim, sounds great. I believe John said the performance would be at 2 p.m.—great for us waiting for a cataract operation. We will keep you posted through this column or by mail. Stay loose! • We heard through the grapevine that **Garrett Cullen** lost his wife, Catherine, several months ago. Garrett grew up with me in Woburn and his wife was a lovely, charming woman. The class sends its sympathy. • **Dolly Abely**, widow of class member **Bill Abley**, passed away recently. Dolly was always involved with the class right up to the end. She and Dot Harney went to everything. **Bill Harney**, Dot's husband, was a rock in our class. Bill was elected president of the class in September of 1964. • There are so many great guys who stepped up to the plate over the years. **Bob Bidwell** in 1959, **Joe Gillis** in 1961, **Jim McEttrick** in 1963, **John Prince** in 1968, **Bill Cohan** in

1969, **Shag** in 1978, **Bill McCool** in 1985 and **John McQuillan** in 1997. • Now we face the future with **John Carney** at the helm. We are fortunate that the Class has such talent. Each president has devoted so much time and energy to keeping things going and creating such great memories for all of us. • The football team is off to Detroit in a bowl game. Could have been San Francisco if we hadn't beaten Notre Dame. I'll still take the victory at South Bend. • Merry Christmas to all of you and your families. The most wonderful time of the year, to quote a well-known lyric.

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I had open-heart surgery November 1, 2002 at the Mount Auburn Hospital in Cambridge. I was six hours in the operating room. After a stay there of fourteen days, I was transferred to New England Rehabilitation Hospital in Woburn, where I am now located. I want to thank the Class of 1950 for the lovely spiritual bouquet that you sent to me. **Bill Horrigan**, our Class President, is right on the ball with things like that. Needless to say, this bypass operation will prevent me from attending any Boston College football game this year. Although I will watch it on TV, wherever the game may take place. • Our West Coast source tells us that in July, **Warren Lewis** spent his annual week in Santa Rose, CA, playing in the Snoopy World Hockey Tournament. After a week of hockey, he still wasn't tired, so in August, he joined a group of bicyclists on a 430-mile, 10-day tour of Nova Scotia. Warren's bicycle trips are also annual undertakings. I get tired just trying to keep track of him. • The following classmates attended the Boston College Class of 1950 BC vs. Navy Post-Game Reception on Saturday, October 19, 2002: **Robert** and **Barbara Bailey**, **William** and **Karen Baker**, **Ed** and **Geraldine Brady**, **Richard** and **Claire Burke**, **Frank** and **Anne Carr**, **Jack** and **Frances Casey**, **Jack** and **Rita Casey**, **Joe** and **Bea Casey**, **Gerry** and **Joan Coakley**, **Jim** and **Josephine Connelly**, **John Dewire** and **Albert Walmer**, **Brendan** and **Bernice Fleming**, **Bob** and **Brigid Gleason**, **Dotty Harwood**, **Dan** and **Gladys Healy**, **Bob Heavy** and **Mike McQueeney**, **Bill** and **Shirley Horrigan**, **Kenneth**, **David** and **Dan Hughes**, **Bill** and **Kay Logue**, **Jim** and **Regina McDonough**, **Rose Marie Murphy**, **Ed** and **Eleanor O'Connor**, **George** and **Helene Padula**, **Bob** and **Gloria Quegan**, **Ed** and **Eleanor Quinn**, **John** and **Dorothy Spellman**, **John** and **Virginia Sullivan**, **Bill Tolan** and five daughters, **John** and **Jeanne Wisniewski**. • Everybody was well satisfied with the food and so forth. Once again, **Bill Horrigan** produced a sterling performance.

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Thanks to **Pat Walsh McGrath '50** for sending news of her classmates. On June 14, 2002, Pat attended the fiftieth wedding anniversary Mass celebration of **Mary King Supple '50** and her husband, **Ed**, a BC alumnus. St. Teresa's in West Roxbury was the site of this joyous occasion, as it was for their wedding. Children, in-law children and grandchildren participated. What a blessing for **Mary** and **Ed**! Our condolences to **Claire DeBlois Canning '50** and her husband, **Joe**, on the death of their son, **Joseph III**, on August 1, 2002. And we are saddened by the death of **Dolly Conlon Abely '50**. We send our prayers to both their families. The Newton College Book Group continues to thrive, with **Sister Elizabeth White, RSCJ**, guiding us through books large and not so large. **Chic Labonte White '50**, now living in Cambridge, has joined us. We have had Days of Recollection for Newton College alumnae at the college in March and December, 2002. On December 4, 2002, there was a reception honoring the realization of the Newton College Alumnae Professorship in Western Culture and the introduction of Professor **Judith Wilt**, the first occupant of the chair. The name and spirit of Newton College will live in this endeavor.

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I talked with A&S classmate and Harwich neighbor, **Lloyd McDonald**, who is planning what he calls a conservative writers and speakers guild. The purpose: "to counter the ultra-liberalism of today's print and broadcast media." The foundation of the guild will be enduring personal values, a sound education, strong motivation, and communication skills, **Lloyd** said. **Lloyd** brings to this endeavor a skilled passion for oratory and the written word and is a pro-life activist. As a BC undergraduate, he was president of the Fulton Debating Society (founded in 1868 by **Robert Fulton, SJ**). In 1950-51, **Fulton** debated such nationally-known oratory powers as **Harvard**, **McGill** and the **US Naval Academy**. After graduation, **Lloyd** enjoyed a successful career, first with **Firestone** then with **New England Life** and **Boston Mutual Life** insurance companies, culminating in his own agency in 1977. **Lloyd** and his wife, **Mary**—a graduate of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing—have seven children and fourteen grandchildren. Seen having a good time at the BC Club of Cape Cod Christmas party were: **Betty** and **Marty Joyce**, club president, **Sally** and **Frank Tully**, **Mary** and **Bob Jepsen**, **Mildred** and **Art Silk**, • **Margery** and **Leo O'Keefe**, **Evelyn** and **Charlie Maher**, **Patricia** and



**George Dunn**, Jean and **John Svagzdys**, Mary and **Paul Phelan**, Mary and **John Bacon**, Mary and **Lloyd MacDonald**. A letter from Elizabeth Logue reports the death last year of her husband of fifty years, classmate **Frank Logue**. A long-time resident of Medfield and ardent supporter of BC, Frank was employed for thirty-five years as an insurance claims adjuster for US F&G. He retired in 1991. He was a US Navy veteran of World War II. Retired apparel executive **Robert J. Hoy** passed away in October. He enjoyed a successful career as chairman of Creighton Shirt Makers, Inc. and chairman and CEO of Lord Jeff Knitting Company. He retired in 1995, devoting the rest of his life to his family and to the children of the Incarnation Children's Center in NYC. He spearheaded fundraising drives to build three Catholic high schools and the Allentown College of St. Francis de Sales. In 1996, he funded the construction of a daycare center in an impoverished Brazilian village. He was a regular guest lecturer at the Wharton School of Business Administration at Penn and the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth. Peace also came to: **Edward J. Ingram** (West Roxbury), **John F. Taylor** (North Chatham), **Alfred V. Flynn** (Melrose), **Daniel F. Ford** (Brookline) and **John F. Cronin, Jr.** (Scituate).

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The memorial Mass in October was held at the Trinity Chapel in Newton and was well attended, followed by dinner at Alumni House. Fr. Hugh O'Regan celebrated Mass with concelebrants Fr. Tom Murray, Fr. Larry Murphy and Fr. John McIntyre. **Roger Connor** was program coordinator. **John Kellaher** was altar server and music was provided by **Gene Tinory**. **Jim Callahan**, **Frank McDermott** and **Jack Leary** gave the readings. I don't have to tell you that guests included **Tom Cullinan**, **Jerry Dacey**, **Joe Doyle**, **Barry Driscoll**, **Joe Fagan**, **Gene Giroux**, **Bill Newell**, **Will Hynes**, **Jim Kenneally**, **Jim Leonard**, **Tom McElroy**, **Fred Meagher**, **Tom Megan**, **Tom Dolan**, **Joe O'Shaughnessy**, **Bernie O'Sullivan**, **Fred Tarpey** and **Tim Ring**, because they come to all class functions. Also enjoying the evening were **Bruce Desroisiers**, **Vin Greene**, **Pat Clancy**, **Jim Grogan**, **Bob Hart**, **Tom Hayes**, **John Kennedy**, **John McArdle**, **Joe McCall**, **Ken McIntire**, **Jack Monahan**, **Dave Murphy**, **Joe Muscato**, **Paul Nolan**, **Frank O'Brien**, **Al Reilly**, **John Sullivan** and **Dick Tyrell**. It was a pleasure to see **Rosemary Ahearn**, **Jeanne Clancy**, **Mary McCabe**, **Alice DiGuglielmo**, **Joseph and Annmarie Davey**, **Karen Ahearn Doherty**, **Jeanne Dooley**, **Sean Pohl**, **Lois Doyle**, **Dr. Mary Haley**, **Ellen Lavin**, **Betty Lawton**, **Mary Leahy**,

**Doris Marr**, Mary and Michael **Monahan**, **Bernadette O'Grady** and **Pauline Valway**. Faithful followers coming up from Cape Cod were **Bob Allen**, **Jay Hughes**, **George Gallant**, **Dick McLaughlin**, **Jim Mulrooney** and **Alex Morgan**. • The trip to Italy in September was enjoyable and good weather, good food and good people made for a wonderful experience. Those enjoying the trip were **Jim Callahan**, **Art Powell**, **Roger Connor**, **Bill Newell**, **Barry Driscoll**, **Dick McLaughlin**, **Jack Leary**, **Frank McDermott** and their spouses. • Congratulations to **Jim DeGiacomo**, who was recently selected as an honoree at the Dean's Reception at New England School of Law. The Dean's Reception is held annually to honor members of the law school community who have contributed significantly to the development, reputation and spirit of the institution. • While on a tour in Arizona, a friend of mine, **Crosbie Lawlor '51**, saw a fellow sitting on a bench wearing a Korean veteran's hat. A veteran himself and wearing a BC hat, **Crosbie** stopped to speak with him. The fellow introduced himself and said, "BC '52!" Two strangers with a common bond—Korea and BC—miles from their homes in Milton and Maryland. The other gentleman was **George Cyr**, and they did a lot of reminiscing about teachers, days at BC and their recent fiftieth reunions. **George** and his wife were traveling the USA in their mobile home and were heading south after coming from the West Coast. The moral of this story is: wear your BC hat and you will meet someone from BC! There are 135,000 graduates scattered everywhere. P.S. If you are robbing a bank, however, be sure to remove your hat! • A multitude of thanks to **George** and **Joan Gallant** for their dedicated work on the reunion yearbook. It certainly is a spectacular publication and a book to be treasured. Thanks also to those classmates who submitted biographies, pictures, articles and information. • Sorry to report the deaths of three classmates—**Henry Strom**, **John Sayers** and **Tom Dolan**. **Henry** lived in Hartford and was a teacher in the Farmington school system for thirty-seven years. He is survived by his wife, **Elvia**, and six children. **John** lived in the Berkshires and is survived by his wife, **Ruth**, three sons and two daughters. Prior to his move to the Berkshires, **John** lived in Connecticut for thirty-three years, where he had a medical practice in Hartford. **Tom**, originally from Roslindale, lived in Quincy and worked for the US Postal Service. He is survived by a cousin and several nieces and nephews. Please send news.

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REUNION YEAR  
MAY 15 TO MAY 18

Well, it's here! Our fiftieth. I understand it will be spectacular! Look forward to the Pops, class dinner, lunches and the big parade. I'd suggest for those who haven't been around since graduation, or at least the twenty-fifth, to get out the old yearbook and look it over. There might be some minor changes in the looks, size and appearance of some of your old buddies, but then again, probably not! The Christmas Chorale and Dinner on December 8 was well-attended and great. • Received a nice note from **Dick Curran**, living at 2 Wyman St. in Woburn, telling about his son, **John '88**, who was just elected mayor of Woburn, the first BC grad to hold the office. **Dick** tells of himself as the number one sign-holder and his daughter, **Siobhan Curran '99**, as his able campaign manager. Looks like Woburn is "all in the family." **Dick** also states that he's living in the lap of luxury in Woburn after retiring from the direct mail business. • From all that went on in the class London/Paris trip this year, I hear nothing but praises—all had a swell time. Rumor has it that classmates **Dick Horan** and **Leo Grace** were showstoppers, doing the can-can onstage at Les Folies Bergere in "Gay Paree." If they did, thank God they didn't wear the outfits! • Classmate **Jack Warren** happened to be in London on business while the group was there, but he says he contacted the hotel and tried to reach **Tom Murry** to no avail. • Your snoop undertsands that **Austin** and **Barbara Smith**, along with **Bob** and **Peg Sullivan**, ventured out to south Bend for the BC-ND football game and were seen leading the band of "Superfans" students with the BC cheers and songs, enabling the team to once again dump the "Irish." (I wonder where they got that term "Irish," as there hardly are any on their teams! Funny!) • Going back to the London/Paris trip, the following classmates represented our class. **Dick Stanley**, **Bob Sullivan**, **Art Delaney**, **Dick Power**, **Joe Tower**, **Dave Lane**, **John McCauley**, **Dennis Cronan**, **Paul Murray**, **Arthur Sullivan**, **Matt Flaherty**, **Bill McSweeney**, **Jim Willwerth**, **Bob McCarthy**, **John Norton**, **Jack Lynch**, **Jim Wholly**, **Tom Murray**, **Bob Willis**, **Leo Grace**, **Phil Kerrivan**, **Bill Duggan** and **Dick Horan**. As you can picture with that group, a good time had to be had by all. • Our son, Lt. Col. **Bob Kelly, Jr.**, USMCR, BC '81, was

The Alumni Association is pleased to announce a formal visitation program that includes the Boston College Alumni Association sending sympathy and Mass cards to the families of deceased alumni and get-well wishes to sick alumni. Please direct inquiries to Mary Neville at [mary.neville@bc.edu](mailto:mary.neville@bc.edu) or 617-552-4755.



activated at Camp Pendelton in CA. Bob is the force movement control officer at the Marine Corps base. • Going back to the proposed class activities for Alumni Week, I understand we're going to get BC sweaters for our Fiftieth. Wow! As of this writing, classmate Dick Horan had cataract surgery around December 5. I had my own right eye done November 5. • Heard that classmate **Dick Farley** just received the Marion Medal, presented to him by Bishop O'Malley at Our Lady of Victory Church in Centerville. For those who know Dick and the service he does for the Church, you'll agree it's well deserved. • Finally, but sadly, heard from Mary Thatcher that her husband, and our classmate, **Bill Thatcher**, of West Newton, passed away on August 19, 2002. The prayers of the class are with Bill and his family. May he rest in peace. • That's all for now. See you on Alumni Week. Your class snoop—the one that can't keep a secret.

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The class of 1954 is pleased to report that a testimonial dinner was held last October in honor of Judge **Paul Murphy**. It was a tribute to his long support of the St. Mark's Area Main Street Program. • **Al Clougherty** reports that he has been living in Pennsylvania for 35 years and has been active in our church and his community. He is regional coordinator in a program that provides meals to the homebound. The program covers the Philadelphia area and delivers meals to 230 families per week at no cost to the recipient. He is also involved in the Elderhostel Program, which brought him to Paris. His eighteen grandchildren are also a huge part of his life. • **William P. Beaton** writes that he is an ordained deacon and pastoral administrator of three priestless, Hispanic parishes in San Fidel, New Mexico. "The job description is still being written" is how he refers to his many varied responsibilities in these busy churches. His wife, Kathleen, BCN '62, operates a treatment center for Native American youth nearby. Their four children and their grandchildren give them regular cause to travel around the country. They are both looking forward to the '04 reunion. • **Richard J. O'Brien** tells us that **John C. McAvinn** passed away last March. John loved BC and a large group of his classmates came to his wake and funeral. Fulfilling the Jesuit motto, he "lived a life in service to others." • We have learned that **Edwin Keating, Jr.** passed away last July. After his graduation, he served two years in the Army. For the past thirty years he had been a real estate broker. Ed is survived by his wife, Margaret, a son and a grandson. • The Memorial Mass for the Class of '54 was held last November. Those attending were: **Many Jean** and **Jim Coughlin**, Pat and **Bob King**, **Frank**

**Flannery**, Joan and **Frank Patchell**, **Richard Charlton**, Lori and **Lou Totino**, **Peter Nobile**, Tom W. **Lane**, **Dave Pierre**, Margaret and **Dan Miley**, Jane and **John Ford**, **Jack Parker**, **Doug MacMillan**, **Fran DeLuca**, **Mary Kelly**, Bette and **Tom Warren**, Marge and **Peter Vasaturo**, **Anthony Pellegrini**, **Sue Andrews**, **Mary Ellen Sawyer**, **Mary and Murray Regan**, **Bea McDevitt**, Nancy and **Geaorge Seaver**, Verna and **Tom W. Lane**, **Caroline** and **Bob Donovan** and **Bill Maguire**. The Mass was celebrated by William McInnes, SJ.

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At the fiftieth anniversary of the School of Education in October, the Class of 1956 (which was the first class there) was represented by about twenty classmates. Those attending included **Ann Carroll Bean**, **Mary Lou Sheehan Brown**, **Betty Anne Casey**, **Peter Colleary**, **Mary Byrne Collins**, **Dianne Hemmer Cotter**, **Phil Dawson**, **Joan Carroll Donovan**, **Carolyn Kenney Foley**, **Carol Hines Gleason**, **Ann Sullivan Glennon**, **Anne Gallo Holmstedt**, **Patricia Burns Lane**, **Claire Hoban McCormack**, **Margie Murphy**, **Connie Regolino**, **Alice Shea**, **Eleanor Callanan Slattery**, **Sister Anne Turbini**, and **Mary Ann Tierney Woodward**. One of the features was a promotional film that included many of our classmates and professors. • The next day, forty classmates went on a Big Dig tour, saw a forty-five-minute slide show explaining how it will eliminate much congestion from major roads coming into Boston, the problem of tunneling under the MBTA, buildings, and water and sewer lines, and the progress (including the \$14 million-plus override that blew the budget). After donning hard hats, safety vests and boots (for those who were wearing sneakers or business shoes), we went into the tunnel that exits to the new Leonard Zakim-Bunker Hill Bridge, where our guide explained how they dealt with the unstable soil when they built the tunnel walls underneath the city. Then we walked along much of the bridge, enjoying the view and watching the bumper-

to-bumper traffic on the old structure. We hoped that people didn't think we were workers standing around with our hands in our pockets. Afterwards we were joined by several others at Alumni House for a buffet dinner, where Carolyn had arranged for souvenir mugs for all attending. We saw **Jack Leonard**, who retired from General Cinema some years ago, did some consulting work for them in South America, and is now with a startup company. Others included **Ernestine Bolduc**, **Mary Lou** and **Bob Caffrey**, up from Connecticut, **Bea** and **Peter Colleary** and **Betty Ann Casey**, who have been proctoring exams at Harvard Law School, **Joe Connors**, Ed and **Louise McCall Crawford**, **Frances D'Entremont**, Jan and **Dick Day**, also up from Connecticut, **Betty** and **Norm Duquette**, Dan and **Carolyn Kenney Foley**, **Carol Hines Gleason**, **Lucille** and **Jack Kennedy**, **Bill** and **Carol Ann Lawson MacNeill**, **Leo** and **Claire Hoban McCormack**, **Nan** and **Ed McDermott**, who came down from Hampton, NH, **Margie Murphy**, **Joan** and **Bill Nolan**, **Kathie** and **Leo Power**, **Connie Regolino**, **Alice Shea** and her sister, **Mary** and **Jerry Sullivan**, **Dick Toland**, and **Lorraine Condon Walsh**. • In other news, **Leo Power**, director of the University's Institute for Scientific Research, has received a \$20,000 research grant from the Naval Research Laboratory. We sat with Dan and Carolyn at the Alumni Day of Reflection at Alumni House. • We have had no reports of deaths or illness. Please keep all classmates and families in your prayers. Once again, thanks to all who keep the news coming.

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The class fall event, BC vs. Navy, was held on October 19, 2002. The festivities of the day included a postgame Mass in Gasson 305. The Mass was concelebrated by Rev. Eugene P. Sullivan and Rev. Thomas Ahearn, MM. Fr. Tom delivered a marvelous homily, and the music was eloquent. Reception and dinner followed in Gasson 100 and rotunda. The following classmates attended: **Rev. Tom Ahearn**, MM, **Ed Brickley**, **Joe Burke**, **Paul Cochran**, **Don Connors**, **Kay Cotter**, **Bill Cunningham**, **Dick Dowling**, **Dom Emello**, **Ralph Ferrera**, **John Harrington**, **Eleanor** and **Mary Lou Hogan**, **John Hoyer**, **Jack Joyce**, **Peg Kenney**, **Frank Lynch**, **Jim Maguire**, **Dave McAvoy**, **Tom McDonald**, **Paul McNulty**, **Bill McQueeney**, **Pat Mullen**, **Paul O'Leary**, **Ruth Roderick**, **Marilyn Smith**, **Rev. Gene Sullivan**, **Bob**



Tiernan, Bill Tobin, Betty and Jim Turley, Pat Vacca, and John Wissler. This Fall Event is always most enjoyable. I would encourage other classmates to attend the 2003 fall event. You won't be disappointed. • The Lynch School of Education celebrated its fiftieth anniversary last October 24. Two of our classmates were recognized from the fifty faces that were highlighted during this Anniversary celebration, including Margaret "Peg" Kenney, professor of mathematics and assistant to the director, Mathematics Institute, Boston College. She is the past president of the Association of Mathematics in New England and of its mathematics chapter. She received the Glenn Gilbert National Leadership in Mathematics Education Award in 2001. The late Honorable Sheila E. McGovern was our other classmate to be recognized. Sheila was the former First Justice of the Middlesex Probate and Family Court in Cambridge. She was the first woman president of the Boston College Alumni Association. I will comment on Sheila's untimely death later in this column. Other Lynch School of Ed '57 classmates that were in attendance included: Mary Lou Hogan, Norma DeFeo Cacciamani, Ellen O'Brien McCarthy, Phyllis Hemmer Clarke, Betty Scanlon Turley, Tom Flahive, Jim Roche, Bob R. Rogers and Tony Zonfrelli. • We are certain that all of you were shocked and saddened by the sudden death last January 2002 of our esteemed classmate Joseph R. Fahey, SJ. Fr. Joe had a distinguished academic career with such highlights: professor of economics, and, for ten years, dean of academics at the College of the Holy Cross. He was a member of the Board of Directors at Boston College, and in 1982, he became the Academic Vice President and Dean of Faculties. He became president of Boston College High School in 1988. During his eleven year tenure, BC High experienced significant growth in students and endowment. At the time, Fr. Fahey was serving on the boards of Regis College, and Loyola College in Chicago. • The Class of 1957 has established, at Boston College, the Rev. Joseph R. Fahey, SJ Scholarship Fund. This scholarship will be awarded annually to a graduate of Boston College High School who is going to attend Boston College. If you would like to make a donation to this very worthy cause, please send your donation to the Rev. Joseph R. Fahey Scholarship Fund, c/o BC Alumni Association, 825 Centre Street, Newton, MA 02458-2527. • Dick Dowling and his wife, Peg, traveled to Rome and the Almalphi Coast last fall. Other visitors to the Eternal City last fall were George Hennessy and his wife, Dorothy. Don Connors and his wife, Peggy, ran into Bill Cunningham and Joan by accident in one of the swank hotel lobbies of Paris late last June. Mary Lou Hogan, our associate on the Class Board of Directors, fell and broke her ankle last December but is now on the mend. • Anna Dooley Stewart continues to make great

progress on the road after major surgery last October. • Bill Tobin and his wife, Ann, traveled to Switzerland in March to do some serious alpine skiing. • Leo Morrissey's son, Lee, is a PhD candidate in the English Dept at Clemson University in South Carolina. Late last year, Lee was received the excellence in teaching award for the years 2002-2003 at the University. He also received a generous stipend for international travel. • The Class extends its sincere sympathy to the families of Judge Sheila E. McGovern and Kathleen Ann Bresnahan. Sheila passed away unexpectedly on November 12, 2002. Shelia was First Justice of Middlesex Probate and Family Court of Cambridge. She was a gifted and compassionate judge. She was a woman for others throughout her twenty-eight years on the bench. Sheila leaves her twin brother Arthur L. McGovern and Philip P. McGovern '55. • Condolences of the Class are also extended to the families of James F. Gunning, who passed away on June 21, 2002, Stanley B. Cassidy, Robert M. Crowe, James Paul Heath, David F. Metz, Mary A. Flaherty Rocha and Norman A. Steele. May they rest in the peace of the Lord. • Last but not least, the Class Annual Golf Day will take place on Monday, May 13, 2003 at the Sandy Burr Country Club in Wayland. Dinner is optional, and is planned for all golfers and classmates at the Woodland Country Club in Newton. A class mailing will be sent out beforehand outlining more specifics in depth. • Best to all for a healthy & happy New Year.

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REUNION YEAR  
MAY 15 TO MAY 18

Paul "Gus" Roach, living in Hanover, reported that he recently enjoyed a ten-day tour of Ireland organized by our classmate Jim Halpin. Jim has retired as director of admissions at Holy Cross and is living in West Yarmouth on the Cape. On their return flight from Shannon, they ran into Al Carroll, who was returning home from a golf weekend. Al is still living in Cape Elizabeth, ME and is considering a winter home in Florida. • Betty and Mike Grady continue to reside in Chestnut Hill and Sanibel Island, FL. • Classmates living in the Naples, FL area include yours truly, Bea and Tony ('59) Busa, Paul and Pat Grip, Leo Conway, Jim Conway, Mike and Janet Daley, Ed Devin, Ed and Elaine Gilmore, Joe and Lovey Giardina, George Kavanaugh, Joan Kennedy Foley, Paul

and Clair Kingston, Jim and Marilyn Quinn, Jack and Jackie Kudzma, Kay Leonard Griffin, Dick Hartigan, John McGillivary, Al Mucciarone, Catherine Murphy Davey, Bill O'Brien, Bill O'Rourke, Annette and Vic Popeo, Bob and Alice Schroeder and Dante Marinelli. As you can see, there are quite a few of us down here, and if I've missed you, please let me know. • John Corrigan, living in Santa Rosa, CA, is a sales rep with Windsor Vineyards. Bob Delaney continues to practice medicine in Flemington, NJ. Joe DiCarlo, living in Revere, is director of Boston Port Services. Paul Donovanis a chemist with the National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, MD. Jim Higgins has retired from the J.C. Higgins Corp. and is living in North Scituate. Tom Kurey continues his career with GE in Wisconsin. Charles Lennerton is director of social services for the Town of Clinton, CT. Mike Ronayne is dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Suffolk University. Frank Scanlon is assistant BP at Hartford Financial Services and is living in South Lyme, CT. Mike Lavey owns his own company, LaveySales, in Burlington. Lou Ennis, living in Bedford, is the VP of employee relations at Brandeis University. John Flynn is a professor of law at the University of Utah. Walter Gay is a consulting scientist at Olin Corp. in Cheshire, CT. Peter Hall is a veterinarian in Moorestown, NJ. Carl Pitaro is the mayor of Brockton. Walter Tumiski is associate professor at Ocean County College in Toms River, NJ. Alex Wilson is a senior lecturer in history at Northeastern University. John Barryh, living in Canton, is an Assistant VP of Merrill Lynch. Frank Callnan is an immigration officer for the Department of Immigration in Houlton, Maine. Jim Conway is the co-owner and associate editor of the *Charlestown Patriot News* in Charlestown. Norman Haley is a trust officer with Crocker National Bank in San Francisco. Dante Marinelli of Westboro and Naples is the president and owner of Village Photo and Imaging Co. in Framingham. • Attended by more than fifty classmates and guests, the fourth annual Mass, Brunch, and Christmas Chorale, chaired by Joan Downing Lachance, was a huge success. Fr. McInnis, who is the resident Father at Alumni House, set the tone for the day, putting our situation in the Church into a manageable perspective. • Co-chairs for the upcoming forty-fifth gala reunion, Frank Day, Dottie Solitto Hiltz and Barbara Cuneo O'Connell have finalized our special evening, which culminates Alumni Weekend. Looking forward to a record-setting turnout. See you all at the Heights in May. • Don't forget to send your dues of \$25 to Jack "Mucca" McDevitt, 25 Cedar Rd., Medford, MA 02155. Please keep the cards and letters coming. I need your news to print.



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REUNION YEAR  
MAY 30 TO JUNE 1

Our forty-fifth reunion is being planned, and by now you have probably heard from one of the committee members and you are planning to join us. We look forward to having a good group for the weekend of May 30 to June 1, 2003. • For some, the reunion will be a continuation of get-togethers. **Joan Sextro** and **M.J. Eagan English** have been reunioneing for the past seven years, after many years of not seeing each other. They've taken trips through Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana, Michigan, Louisiana and Florida. They've also been searching for **Bunny Phelan**; does anyone have news about her? • We send our condolences to the family of **Ursula Gahan Boyle**, who died in August.

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Thanks for your e-mails and notes. Even though I am swamped with news from about sixty classmates, I would like to hear from the rest of you. **Jack Madden** writes of his pending retirement after forty years practicing law. He didn't say what his plans were, but they are certain to include golf. Jack and Barbara '61 have three children with multiple degrees from Harvard and Stanford and a three-year-old granddaughter. **Peter Murphy** was recently decorated by Prince Rainier of Monaco as a commander of the order of Grimaldi. I hope I won't have to kneel when I next see Sir Peter. Peter lives in Monaco, where he is president of Festival Tours, the largest of the European cruise companies. Congratulations, Peter. **Art Sullivan** writes from Houston, where he has lived for thirty years. He plays golf four to five times a week! Other times, he is training to be a child advocate, acting as a court-appointed representative for abused children. He is still a rabid BC and Sox fan. • **Paul Shea**, practicing law in Holliston, has no plans to retire but spends some time in Kennebunk and Palm Beach with Lois and the children. **Jack Canavan** (who had this job many years ago, I think) is also among the not-retired. Jack gave me some news of **Tom Legere** and **Dick Roche** at golf in New Seabury, **George O'Brien** and **Faye** in Naples, and **Joe Connolly** and **Ralph Benware** celebrating the wedding of Joe's son, Kevin, in San Diego. • I received a sad note from Nancy Allard telling me of **Don Allard's** death. He leaves Nancy, Don Jr., Mary Therese, Charles and Sue. Don was our all-American candidate in some great games in the 1958 season. He and his

teammates made possible the beginning of the national ascendancy of BC as a football power. I remember Don as the master of the tight spiral on the dead run. I didn't know him well, but I remember his easy grace and friendliness on campus and his determined competitiveness on the field. We have lost our fair-haired quarterback.

• A note from **Bill Hartnett** in Delray Beach and Sequim, Washington tells me that he and Joan are mostly retired and playing golf when they are not traveling. **Ron Arcieri** and Jan have retired and are living in Webster after a lifetime as co-directors of the Office of Family Life Ministry for the Diocese of Worcester. • **Bill McCarthy** reminded me of our days in the office of the Sub Turri yearbook. Bill and Pauline live in Oakton, VA and have their vacation home in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Bill was a career officer in the Army then worked for many years in the DC area. Bill and Pauline have six children and five grandchildren. **Tony Busa** is retired from WBZ and living in Naples, Florida? We must have half of the class living there. • Thanks for your many notes. Keep them coming. I'll see you in May 2004.

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Happy springtime, everyone! In October, I went to Albany, NY with my genial traveling companion, **Joanne (O'Connor) Hynek** to attend the Eastern Regional A.A.S.H. meeting. The theme of the conference was the role of the laity, and the group discussions were very informative and spiritually uplifting. Mary Ann (Brennan) Keyes '62, our regional delegate, was the capable coordinator of the weekend events. The dynamic growth of the lay group, Voice of the Faithful, was eagerly discussed. Seeing Sisters Husson, Sweeney, Cunningham and McMullen was a highlight of the weekend. They are all such remarkable women, and are so actively involved at Kenwood. It was also so nice seeing so many old familiar Newton faces. During the weekend, we had the opportunity to tour the thriving coeducational school, Doane-Stuart, also. Any class news would be most welcome! We would love to hear from you.

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A recent local paper article had a face I know, and it was Santa Claus—otherwise known as **Bob Shea**. He looks like Santa and has had a giant white beard for a number of years. He is very busy during the Christmas season. Bob is the town

## SPRING DAY OF RECOLLECTION

MARCH 22, 2003

8:45 A.M.

ALUMNI HOUSE

Featuring William C. McInnes, SJ,  
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clerk for Hanover and loves the work. **Tex Rudman** notes that the annual mini-reunion with his fellow cowpokes on Cape Cod (he comes up from Texas) included **Jim Browne**, **Rich Stanton**, **Mike Hawley** and **Don Croatti**. **Jack Donahue** dropped by for a visit. **Bill Crowley** lives in Florida and enjoys his work with the cruise lines. According to **Jim Sullivan**, **Jim O'Brien** keeps telling him we are living in the fourth quarter. These football players certainly have it drummed into their heads about life. Jim works with the National Assessment of Educational Progress as the Vermont state supervisor. Mandates assessed by the feds. Jim is living in Vermont and plays golf in season with **Jim Tondra**. **Dan** (private eye) **Sughrue** e-mailed me with a great idea. Why not e-mail your address to the Alumni Association so you can converse with classmates not seen or heard from in some time? The Alumni Association is encouraging such a venture. Here is the Web site: [www.bc.edu/friends/alumni/community/](http://www.bc.edu/friends/alumni/community/). A great idea, even if Dan is from New Hampshire. Give it a try.

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For the first time since I began writing these Class Notes, the December issue was too lengthy and was cut short. I'll begin this letter with the noteworthy information that was omitted. On September 26, 2002, **Pat Winkler Browne** received this year's Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award for Religion at Boston College. It was stated that Pat "has selflessly lived and imparted her spiritual concerns, her professional skills and her voice for Sacred Heart values." Congratulations, Pat! Many classmates were present to celebrate her accomplishments. It is with sadness that I relate that **Pat Engel Gallagher** passed away on June 5, 2001. We send condolences to her husband, Bob. We also send our sympathies to **Elaine Holland Early**, whose husband, Philip '58, died suddenly on July 12, 2002. Many classmates attended the funeral Mass. Elaine plans



to continue to work at Boston University in the chemistry department.

- **Lita Capobianco Mainelli** wrote: "My husband and I have retired to our birth state of Rhode Island. We have been here for two years and are thoroughly enjoying our retirement! Leo is very involved with the engineering alumni board of URI. I am doing part-time diagnostic assessment work with The Child Family Services of Newport County. I volunteer at the Women's Resource Center of South County, helping clients write restraining orders against abusive partners. We have recently been blessed with our seventh grandchild, Clare Kellar Crosson. She is the second daughter of Christina Mainelli and her husband, John Crosson. Clare is our sixth granddaughter. We have one grandson, Michael Mainelli. We are also blessed to have my mother still living at ninety-four years, though she does live in a nursing home. Two married daughters and a married son live in Connecticut. Andrea Mainelli lives in Charlestown, MA, and Charlestown, RI. Leo and I find enjoyment playing tennis, kayaking on our salt pond, walking the beach and bicycling. We are enjoying living on an ocean going salt pond. Our address is Sunset Drive, so the view each evening varies with many spectacular sunsets. To us it is a perfect retirement home."
- **Lennie Coniglio de Csepel** shared this information: "This is my twenty-first year as lower school music teacher and currently arts department chair at Convent of the Sacred Heart in Greenwich, CT. I also play for liturgies at our parish and, for twenty-two years, have been music director for a community musical theater in Greenwich. It is time for a change! My husband, John, and I will retire (I hate that word) at the end of this school year. We have no set plans but look forward to the usual activities of travel, community service work, and a more leisurely life. I would especially like to improve my golf game!"
- **Jane A. Waldron** retired in 1999 and is professor emeritus of the department of psychiatry at the John A. Burns School of Medicine at University of Hawaii. She is presently director of the AIDS Education Project and a project leader for federal and state grants to educate health care providers about HIV/AIDS in Hawaii and US affiliates in the Pacific. Jane is living in Volcano on the Big Island of Hawaii, commuting to Oahu for work two-to-three days a week.
- **Pat Beattie McDonald** e-mailed that the annual September Hardy senior year roommate reunion was held at **Mary Egan Boland's** summer home. **Suzanne Kenney Gaetano** and **Mary Lou Foster Ryan** made up the foursome. Pat and Miles see Lennie and John de Csepel frequently, and she commented that **Lindsey Gowen Lee** lives near her in Old Greenwich, CT. **Marie McCabe Stebbins** also mentioned the mini reunion at the Boland's at the

Connecticut shore. She and **Judy Breck Killeen**, from the Longmeadow/Springfield area, joined the others and had a wonderful time exchanging stories. **Rosemary Roche Hobson** has been involved with Catholic social justice issues for many years. She belongs to Network, a Catholic social justice lobby, and to Pax Christi and the Thomas Merton Society. Rosemary is also an associate of the Society of the Sacred Heart, an outreach group to the laity. She has attended two retreats at Kenwood and has met other Newton graduates there. Currently, she is working to prevent war in Iraq and asks our prayers for this outcome.

- Thanks again to all who responded to my request for some information. Keep it coming!

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Greetings, from what has started out as a long and snowy winter. I would be remiss if I didn't tell you that my ability to write this column is being severely limited by the lack of information coming from my classmates—*please* send me news. Your classmates want to know where and how you are and I need help in writing this column. **Peg Collins** reports she attended the fiftieth anniversary celebration of the School of Education. There was an all-day program that Peg, **Ginny O'Neil** and **Mary Turbini** from our class and Alice Brennan '64 all enjoyed. Peg also asked me to remind the readers of this column of the following dates: March 30, 2003, is Laetare Sunday, April 26, 2003, is the Arts Festival, and the annual class Mass and dinner will be held on May 3, 2003. Please call Peg at 617-782-9328 for reservations to any of the events. We note with sadness a couple of passings. **Bob Houle** died on November 4, 2002. At BC, Bob was an accounting major. After graduation he spent time in the Army, doing extensive work in Thailand before Vietnam became the issue it ultimately grew to. He then earned a law degree from Boston University Law School and worked most of his career at Grabill & Ley. We also mourn the loss of **Jack Joyce's** mother, Nora, on November 3, 2002. Pat and **Jack McDowell** send their most sincere thanks for the class's willingness to donate a challis in memory of their son, John, who was killed in the World Trade Center attack. They requested the challis be given to our classmate, Father **Richard Harrington**. As I asked in the beginning, please take the time to mail or e-mail me about your lives. God speed to all.

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**Tony Pellegrino** retired in January 2002 as vice president and professor of economics at Holyoke Community College. For his thirty-eight years of service, the college endowed a permanent scholarship in his name. He and his wife, Gerry, reside in Springfield and have four children and seven grandchildren. **John Gillis** retired in 2000 as a math teacher from Danvers High School, after thirty-eight years in the classroom. He coached many championship hockey teams during his seventeen years behind the bench. He and his wife, Pat, reside in Hamilton and have three children and six grandchildren. **Bob "Stretch" Demers**, a pilot for American Airlines, retired as captain in 2000, after thirty-five years in the cockpit. His last "official" flight was from Dallas to Paris, with his wife, Peggy, aboard. On the return leg, the Dallas airport ground crew, in honor of his thirty-five years of flight, created a water cannon arch through which Bob guided the Boeing 767. Before he hung up his wings, Bob took another flight with his son Peter in the copilot seat. Peter is a pilot with American and another son, Jeff, is a pilot with United. **Jerry Greely** is an independent investment advisor in Boston. He and his wife of forty years, Mary Anne, reside in Gloucester and have three children and five grandchildren. His son, Jay, is a BC '85 grad. Condolences to **Walter Kupchunos** of South Windsor, CT, on the death of his father, Walter J. Kupchunos, Sr. **Barbara Connor Flaherty**, legal assistant to Joe Steinkraus '60, lives in Reading with her husband, Tom. They have three children, all married, and two grandchildren, Connor and Devyn. **Vincent "Jim" Franco** recently retired as superintendent of schools in Littleton, and the new high school's performing arts center was dedicated to him. The plaque reads, "With gratitude for his leadership, vision and commitment to students. The Town of Littleton dedicates this center to Jim Franco, Superintendent of Littleton Public Schools, 1984–2001." **Jon Doukas** reported in from Louisville, KY, where he worked for the past twenty-five years as a consultant and principal in a bank consulting business. He is also teaching part time at the University of Louisville. His children are grown and he hopes to start planning retirement soon. Nancy Cotter, who was with our class through her junior year, left and returned to graduate in '63, retired after a long career with the Department of Defense Dependents Schools. She recently married Al Curry, also a BC alum, and they're now enjoying Naples in the winter and the Cape in the summer. They're avid golfers. **Kevin Leary**, who lives in Boston and is founder of Valet Park of New England, wanted to announce that he is starting a sky diving club for any interested classmates. He can



be reached at 617-451-1393. **Jack Murray** continues to do some consulting projects for Bearing Point (formerly KPMG Consulting), as well as assisting with our class fund raising efforts (member of Fortieth Reunion Committee). He and his wife, Barbara, spent time in the last couple of months touring Ogunquit, Portland, Booth Bay Harbor and Acadia National Park and then headed out to San Diego to visit friends. Trish and I are looking for West Coast and Midwest classmates who can help keep us informed about classmates outside New England. Please e-mail us if you would like to help.

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REUNION YEAR  
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E-mail has produced some interesting updates. **Jack Berry**, after leaving the Army in 1966, went to work for IBM and has been there for the last thirty-seven years; he is presently with IBM's global financing subsidiary. He has been living in Westport, CT for the last twenty-five years, where he is still active in Boy Scouts. He can be reached at [berryj@us.ibm.com](mailto:berryj@us.ibm.com). **Bill Costley** is living in Wellesley, and remains a class poet laureat. One of his earliest poems that appeared in the *Stylus Anthology 1950-2000*. His latest appear on Web sites in San Francisco ([www.sfcall.com](http://www.sfcall.com)) and Glasgow, Scotland ([www.NoMeanCity.org](http://www.NoMeanCity.org)). He finally made it into *Who's Who in American 2002* at sixty. He would like to hear from classmates at [billcostley@attbi.com](mailto:billcostley@attbi.com). **Mary Sheffield** has retired after a long teaching career in the Boston school system, and is now honing her handicap at Milton Hoosic Golf Club; she lives in Milton with husband and classmate, **Bob Sheffield**, who continues to practice law in East Milton Square. Bob also serves as general counsel at the Neighborhood Club of Quincy, where your class correspondent currently serves as president. Mary also sits on the board. Doesn't that sound chummy? We held an organizational meeting of our BC '63 reunion committee on December 4 at Conte Forum under the leadership of chairman **Tom McCabe**. Committee members include **Gerry DeBiasi**, **Annette Dietel**, **Dianne Duffin** (secretary), **Gene Durgin**, **John Golden** (treasurer), **Mike Hanna**, **Paul Hardiman** (vice president), **Peter Jengo**, **Dave Knipper**, **Doug MacQuarrie**, **Frank McDermott**, **Matt McDonnell** (class correspondent), and **Lauren Pandolfe** (BCAA assistant director). The committee

is planning for our fortieth (hard to believe) reunion, which will be held on the weekend of May 30-June 1. Our class event will be on Saturday, May 31. Reunion chairman **Tom McCabe** is now retired after thirty years with IBM, and he and his wife, **Marge**, live in a beautiful condo on the eighteenth fairway at the White Cliffs, Plymouth, Executive Golf Club. He reports seven grandchildren. **Gerry DeBiasi** is now retired from a big-five CPA firm and he and his wife, **Pat**, live off the seventeenth fairway, also at White Cliffs. It sounds like a BC retirement complex. And now the sad news: **Chuck Stravin**, of Milton, died in October after a very brief bout with mouth cancer. **Chuck** was a regular at BC football games. In fact, I had met him at the UConn game on August 31. His dry wit and sense of humor will be missed. Our condolences to his wife, **Midge**, and his two sons, **Charles '89** and **Michael '93**, and his daughter, **Susan Orsillo '96**—an all-BC family. **John Bucci**, of Winchester, also just recently died after a siege of cancer. He was with Derby Management, after a long career with John Hancock. Condolences and best wishes to his wife, **Joanne**. **Bob Spillane**, of Natick, died on November 25, after a happy and longer-than-expected life with cystic fibrosis, leaving his wife, **Janet**, son **Michael '90** and daughter **Kerri '94**—another wonderful BC family. The class sends its sincere condolences. Be sure to save the May 31 date. Watch for the reunion notices in the mail. A nice evening of dining and dancing is being planned for Saturday, May 31. A second committee, the fortieth reunion gift committee, will also be in touch, with plans for a two-year pledge for our class gift. Unofficial word is that very substantial pledges have already been received, at least doubling our twenty-fifth anniversary class gift. Look forward to a continued e-mail stream. We also have a nondiscrimination policy as far as letters and phone calls.

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**Mary Jo McDonough Barnello** wrote in on learning of the death of **Maric DeNisco**, mother of **Ann Marie DeNisco L'Abbate**, and I wanted to share her words with you: "When I saw the notice about the death of

**Ann Marie's** mother, I just knew I had to write. I thought I'd let you know something about this wonderful person. **Ann Marie** hooked-up with several very clueless Irish folks her freshman year—me included. She was always talking about what a great cook her mom was and, so, during one vacation, **Ann Marie** and her mom invited us to her home for a very special dinner—and special it was. There were so many courses, all delicious. As I recall, the first one was a light pasta and, thinking this was the meal, we just about filled up on that. I told you we were clueless! I still get that (pleasantly) stuffed feeling when I think about all we devoured that afternoon. It was a lovely day, hosted by a very gracious lady." And a very lovely tribute, **Mary Jo**. **Mary Jo** is at ([Numamjb@aol.com](mailto:Numamjb@aol.com)). **Brenda Mahoney O'Brien** (I'm loving these voices from the past!) also checked in with the news that she and **Kevin '63** are "happily semi retired" in Park City, UT, where they ski, golf, play bridge and are enjoying their "extended sabbaticals" from professional life. Their three children and three grandchildren are on the East Coast so they travel quite a bit, and **Brenda** and **Kevin** are looking forward to their fortieth anniversary next summer. **Brenda** says that "all classmates are welcome in Park City; we are in the (tiny) phone book and would love to get together." Also, if anyone knows how to reach **Eileen Carrion** (Rodriguez?), please contact **Brenda** at ([brendao@pcfastnet.com](mailto:brendao@pcfastnet.com)) (and me, too!). Now for that update on **Mary McGuire**. She graduated in August with an M.F.A. in the poetry genre in English, and won second prize for a group of poems from the American Academy of Poets and a National Prize for poetry from the Hackney Foundation. She had four poetry readings and said that, if she could do whatever she wanted, it would be that—reading her poetry. Congratulations, **Mary**. From **Priscilla's** "brag book," the Lamb Parental Unit (as our daughters call us) was up at Smith College this fall to celebrate our daughter, **Alexis's**, early entry into Phi Beta Kappa. We are thrilled! I was very sorry to learn of the death of **Seraphina Sorace**, the mother of **Carol Sorace Whelan**. She had been ill for two years and died peacefully with **Carol** at her side. Well, checking my e-mail these days is starting to feel like a Harry Potter experience. Our yearbook seems to be popping open at random pages, with whoever is there suddenly speaking. I'm having a ball. I hope you are too. Keep those pages turning. And stay tuned next time for an update on **Deanna Zuger**. See what I mean?

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**Jack** and **Rita MacNeil Martin** live in Foxboro. **Rita** teaches reading in Taunton and **Jack** is a scientist at Analog Devices in Cambridge. Two of their children graduated from BC. **David '94**,



who is finishing a M.B.A. at BU, and Karen '96. Daughter Katherine graduated from UConn and has a master's in environmental engineering from Tufts. Jack and Rita have three grandchildren. **Kathy McVarish Sullivan** wrote to me at Christmas. She graduated from Cambridge College in June with a master's degree in mental health counseling. Her new job is at Highpoint Treatment Center's outpatient facility as a psychotherapist. Kathy has moved to Plymouth after living in Pembroke for thirty-four years. Her daughter, Tricia, and son-in-law, Tom, welcomed a sister for Katelyn named Hannah in March. Her son Sean was married in July to Aimee Riendeau and they live in Pawtucket, RI. Son Ryan lives in Dorchester and son Michael lives in Santa Monica and is engaged to Laura Bell. A call from **Roberta DeGrinney Cernota** at Christmas brought the news that her husband, Al, has been elected a state representative in New Hampshire. Roberta retired from teaching in June and has enjoyed the political scene this past fall. Their son, Andy, a Dartmouth graduate, recently graduated from Franklin Pierce Law School and is working with the intellectual-properties law firm Maine & Asmus in Nashua. The class of 1965 was well represented at the Catholic Charities Christmas dinner. **Dennis and Sheila Haley, John Griffin, Bob Hutchinson, Jack and Rosemary Thomas MacKinnon** and Neal and I enjoyed a wonderful evening. Class Notes are fun to read when you are in them, so please either e-mail me (trishharte@aol.com) or drop me a line so that next time *your* name is in bold print.

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**Lisa Pustorino Edmiston** and Mark proudly announce the birth of their second granddaughter, Allison Margaret, born on October 6. Daughter Laura and her husband came from Los Angeles for the christening on November 24 and stayed for Thanksgiving. Lisa and Mark continue to work on their second home in Madison, CT, and Lisa helps out Ann, who now has two children under the age of two. • I have been keeping busy with my educational consulting in the area of elementary and middle school math. As planned, it's a very flexible job. It allows me to spend time in SC at my second home on Lake Wateree so I can be a part of my granddaughter's life. I still follow BC sports and attended the BC-Temple football game in Philadelphia in November. Hope to see a few basketball games when they play in my area. • Please send your news and news of other classmates as soon as you finish reading this column. Let's hear about your

children, grandchildren, volunteer and/or compensated work, hobbies, travel, interests, etc. We have reached that age when we realize the importance of the simple things in life. Don't wait for something spectacular to happen. • Wishing you good health, good friends and inner contentment. Until the next time ...

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**Bob Zimmerman** is VP and research leader at IT Computing Infrastructure. Bob had retired from IBM after a thirty-year career there. Bob and Karen moved out of Silicon Valley to Granite Bay in the Sierra foothills, above Sacramento. Bob invites any classmate driving through California's central valley to stop by. • Under the *oops!* category, we apologize for not including **Moirra Sullivan Kelly** as a member of our class gift committee for our thirty-fifty reunion. Moira was very instrumental in helping us achieve our lofty goals (in terms of the amount and percentage of participation). **Carol Fronc Bejtlich** writes that she retired in July 2001 after teaching French and Spanish at Billerica Memorial High School for seventeen years. Carol and Dick continue to live in Billerica, where their daughter, Lauri, teaches fifth grade. Daughter Terri is married and living in NC, while son Rich has left the Air Force and now works for Foundstone, a company that deals in computer security. • **B. James Cake** writes from Philadelphia, where he is a financial consultant with Janney Montgomery Scott, the largest regional brokerage firm in Philly (since 1832). Jim worked for Price Waterhouse right after graduation. **Harold Attridge**, Lillian Claus Professor of Theology of the New Testament, has been appointed dean of the Yale Divinity School. Harold, after earning his A.B. from Boston College, received a B.A. and M.A. from Cambridge University, where he studied as a Marshall Scholar, and then topped things off with a Ph.D. from Harvard in 1975. Harold came to Yale in 1997 from Notre Dame, where he served as professor of theology, and, from 1991-1996, as dean of the College of Arts and Letters. He also taught at SMU at the Perkins School of Theology. **Sal DiMasi**, is serving as house majority

leader in the Massachusetts legislature. Sal has over twenty-two years in the House of Representatives, where he previously served as majority whip while representing the North End. Rev. **Alfred Cournoyer** was kind enough to drop a line from Honduras (San Pedro Sula), where he continues to serve as a Maryknoll missionary. It was nice to hear from **Jim Day** in sunny California. Jim and Judy '68, are doing just fine! • **Daniel Maguire** died in August after a long illness. After graduation, Dan joined the Marine Corps and served a tour in Vietnam as an artillery captain. Dan remained in the Marine Reserves and retired after thirty years as a lieutenant colonel. He worked in the insurance industry for several large carriers and was vice president of underwriting at Seaco Insurance Co., before he retired due to illness. Dan resided in Holliston for many years. He is survived by his wife, Roberta, and their children Michael, Elizabeth, and Matthew, to whom the class offers its sincere condolences. Dan was buried with full military honors, and pallbearers included classmates **Mike Mellon** and **Bob Murphy**. Please keep Dan and his family in your prayers. • Lost and Found: **John "Jack" Keenan** flew helicopters in 'Nam. He returned and flew a helicopter for a TV/radio station in RI, according to sources, and has recently been found working for the FAA at Hanscom Field. Good to have you back, Jack! • **Bob St. Germain** of Dover and Martha's Vineyard hosted a cookout at his home in East Chop, Martha's Vineyard. Attending were your correspondents, the Benedicts, **Al** and **Cindy Butters** and Bob and his wife, Mary. The previous week Bob and Mary played host to **Bill Canty** and his wife, who were vacationing from Maryland. You know it's football season when you see **Bob Slattery** sitting in the choice seats on the fifty yard line. It was good to see classmate **Bob Hyland** honored at the Rutgers game. Good thing it was overcast, lest the sun reflect off that Super Bowl ring! If you looked real close, you got to see **Leo McHugh** on TV while at a fundraiser just prior to the MA elections in November. • "Coach" **Jerry York** is off to another great season, with BC ranked first in the country. Hopefully, the season and

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postseason will end the same way. Your correspondents recently learned of the death of **Jess Bowser**, who passed away in December 1999. The class offers belated condolences to his family. • It was good to see **Patty McCarthy O'Brien** recently with **Denise Roberto Delaney**. Patty is a pediatric nurse practitioner in Weston and lives in Plymouth. Best wishes and congratulations for a job well done to **Ed Doherty**, who is stepping down in June as president of the Boston Teachers Union after twenty years in office. Ed has been a teacher since graduation and a union member for over twenty-eight years and has been innovative in his leadership. Ed earned a doctorate about four years ago from the Harvard Graduate School of Education and has three other degrees. Good luck, Ed, and thanks! Keep those notes and e-mails coming.

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I write amidst melting ice and snow here in VA, but it is only December! I still hope the mailman will reward me with news from you to make his hard work during these winter months worthwhile and to provide something to write about in the months ahead. By the time you read this, it will be nearly time to pen another few lines of class updates. Hope there will be something about you! For now though, it is with sadness that I report on the December passing of the father of **Faith Brouillard Hughes**. Our prayers go out to her and her family, including sisters Nancy '72 and Joan '73. I know we do not hear of all the deaths in our class families, so please include all our relatives when you are remembering your classmates in your prayers. If you would like to be included in our Prayer Network, please send me your contact information. There are several ways to reach me; just look at the top of this column. Also, a reminder to those who have changed e-mail addresses since you first signed on: I have had several recent e-mails returned and have no way of reconnecting until you update your information. Thanks. • We have added three new class family members in the past three months ... or, at least, these are the ones I have heard about. **Donna Shelton's** daughter had a second son in November. Donna loves that they are also in northern Virginia, so she gets to visit often. **Gini Saviano Ayling** has her second and newest grandson, Ethan, to enjoy near her in OK as well. He was born in early October. The Frees (that's Bill and me!) celebrated the arrival of our first grandchild, William Charles, back in late September. He lives near Richmond, VA, so he is close enough to visit, even for a day. It would be illuminating to take a count of the next generation in all our

families. That number must be increasing exponentially! Be sure to share your exciting news when it occurs. In addition to becoming a grandparent, my fall was an extra busy one. Beyond my regular job, I again worked for my county electoral board, this year to recruit, assign and train nearly 140 high school government students who served as election officers and support staff in the precincts. It is inspiring to see how many young adults are committed to serving their friends and neighbors to ensure such basic American rights as the right to vote. I am currently working with several alumnae in the metro Washington area to plan our Tenth Annual Spring Tea for Newtonites. It is not meant solely for those of us in this area. If you will be, or can be, around here in early April, let me know so you can join our festive gathering. In the meantime, I hope you are looking forward to bright gardens and warm, blue skies this spring ... and will get in touch with me soon.

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Every year, the magazine *Vanity Fair* honors America's most outstanding citizens in its annual hall of fame issue. This past year, the class of 1968 has **Ken Hackett**, executive director of Catholic Relief Services, as an honoree. Ken was recognized as one of our outstanding world nongovernmental organization (NGO) leaders. Photo-graphed with fellow presidents of such highly esteemed organizations as Save the Children, CARE, Oxfam, and Amnesty International, Ken was cited for his leadership in offering economic assistance, spiritual succor, and social justice to the underprivileged around the world. As *Vanity Fair* asks, concerning this group of illustrious hall of famers aiming to make the future a better place, if these world NGO leaders didn't do these outstanding works, then who would? Your fellow classmates salute you, Ken. **James "Hunter" Clark** recently e-mailed from Brentwood, TN to update us on his doings these days. Hunter and his wife, Mary Anne, have been married for thirty-two years and have two daughters and three grandchildren. He retired from Square D two years ago, and has recently purchased a new Harley Davidson, which provides a load of fun and a sense of adventure. True to his nickname, Hunter still does a lot of big-game hunting, including a week of deer hunting in Texas with old friends following Thanksgiving. Hunter missed seeing more classmates a year ago at the Music City Bowl in Nashville in 2001, which was a great game, and really fun times for those who attended. An amusing side note, the Clarks

live across the street from country music legend Dolly Parton. **Emily (Desimone) Mahony** asks all classmates to please plan to attend our Boston College Class of 1968 thirty-fifth Reunion Weekend, which will be held May 30 through June 1. Our class dinner will be Saturday evening, May 31, 2003. She also asks that each of us please be generous about our class gift this year. Thanks for the Class Notes e-mails, friends. It makes fun reading for all of us. Happy Days!

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'Tis two weeks before Christmas and all through the house, Not a thing is getting done ... thank God for my mouse! E-mails and Internet orders. The Class Notes can get done, too! Our thirty-fifth reunion has generated lots of interest. **Barbara Hensler** writes that she is looking forward to seeing everyone again, having had to miss the last one because she literally "bought the farm." She purchased her family's farm in Virginia's Northern Neck and recently retired there after a thirty-five-year corporate career in NYC. **Mary Sanford Neale**, **Tita Sabadie Dwyer**, **Maryann Kenney** and **Suzy Mangold Sabadie** have all gone down to visit. Sounds great! **Betty Downes** and **Sue Sturtevant** got together over Thanksgiving and will try to rally our western classmates. Following a two-week business trip to South Africa in late January (at which Nelson Mandela is speaking), Betty is heading to San Francisco with **Marcy McPhee Kenah** and **Marge Gaynor Palmer** to see **Julia Lopez**. A trip to Boston in May will complete their agenda. Welcome back, **Margaret Connorton Reilly**. Margaret recently relocated to NYC from Florida. • Keep the news coming. It will be fun to see everyone in May.

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**Dennis Garvey** was one of eight inductees at the Notre Dame High School (West Haven, CT) Seventeenth Annual Knight of Honor Dinner in November, held at Yale Commons in New Haven. Dennis was honored for having spent six years on the board of directors at Notre Dame High School, serving as president of the board from 1998 to 2000. Dennis and his wife, Marisol, reside in Milford, CT. It was good to see **Doug Carnival** at the BC-Maine hockey game in early December. Doug was in Boston on business and took some time to visit with his daughter Jennie, who is a sophomore



in A&S at BC. Doug is a partner in a Minneapolis law firm and resides in Saint Paul, MN. Received e-mail from **Ed Harpin**. Ed and his wife, June, had just returned from a trip to China to learn about traditional Chinese medicine. Please take the time to write or e-mail me and let me know what is new with you.

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An e-mail message from **Deborah Madison Nolan** reports that for the past four years she has worked as a deputy attorney general in NJ, handling child abuse cases in Newark and Jersey City. She and her husband, Francis, live in Maplewood, NJ. They have three children. Their oldest child, Frank, recently graduated from Connecticut College. Their identical twin daughters are sophomores at William and Mary and Davidson. Deborah occasionally sees **Dene Davis Ryan** and **Judy Randall Gittleman**. After retiring from Hoffman LaRoche as a biochemist, Dene now teaches AP science courses at Montclair High School. Her daughter Amanda is a sophomore at Notre Dame and her son Eddie is a high school sophomore at St. Peter's Prep in Jersey City. Judy lives in Montclair. Her daughter Lisa graduated from Vassar and her son is a junior at Carnegie Mellon. **Sue Davies Maurer** recently returned from San Diego, where she visited her brother and her son, Scott, who is stationed there. Now retired, Sue keeps busy by exercising, checking travel bargains, reading and volunteering at the local food pantry, something she finds rewarding. She and her husband, Bob, plan to spend February in AZ researching and planning their eventual move there. **Jill Hendrickson Daly** and **Susan Power Gallagher** recently spent a weekend with Sue and Bob. Here's an update on **Carol Romano Tuohey's** son: Vincent, Jr., who has done NATO work in Europe, is at Armour officer basic school at Fort Knox, KY. He will command four tanks: M1A2 (SEP) with a special electronics package. As for me, if you can stand it, I'd like to brag: I recently was chosen Teacher of the Year for my school building. Hope to hear from anybody who has some news to share.

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Classmates have been traveling far and wide, with news of trips to make any

homebody envious. Last year, **Lynne McCarthy** and **Anne McDermott** traveled to California for the wedding of Gina Jose, who this year made **Tec Manalac Jose** a proud grandmother. **Liz Gibbons**, who lives nearby, also attended the wedding. This fall, Lynne and Anne traveled farther afield—to Tokyo, to visit **Nancy Riley Kriz**. Closer to home, Lynne spent Thanksgiving with family, including her two goddaughters (niece Christine and Christine's daughter, Julia). Lynne writes, "Christine says Julia is my clone but I always thought Christine was. I don't know if the world can stand three of me!" I'm sure it can—and with gusto.

• **Eileen Marquette Reilly** and husband Ed took another knock-your-socks-off trip. Starting out in Flathead Lake, MT, they toured Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Parks, then hopped a flight to Barcelona, took a barge trip with friends up the Canal du Midi in France, visited the Normandy coast via Bordeaux and St. Malo, and stopped by Paris before heading home. Of Normandy, Eileen writes, "We were at the American Cemetery on the anniversary of September 11 and it was very moving ... We looked on this huge field of white crosses and Stars of David and realized how young those men and women were when they died in WWII for our freedoms, and then we thought about the threats against those freedoms that we have lived with since September 11, and all we could say was 'how terribly tragic.'" Of Paris, she reports, "Lauren Bacall sat next to us in a restaurant one night and I can only hope that the Newton class of '70 all look that good when we are her age. (I personally wouldn't mind looking that good now!)" Now back at home, Eileen highly recommends retirement for the travel-hungry. When not traveling, she volunteers at the Pasadena Showcase House, one of the oldest and largest such fundraisers in the country; their proceeds fund the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra, as well as music programs for school children.

• **Mary McAllister Fader's** daughter, Victoria Spencer, married Andrew Morton in Harbour Island, Bahamas, in 1997 and three years later presented her with granddaughter Kate. Mary has no complaints about the "terrible twos," instead, she writes, "[Kate] is the light of my life and I travel to Manhattan or Southampton to see

her at least once a month." Mary now lives in Dover, works as a corporate relocation specialist at The New England Relocation Group in Woburn, and spends most weekends (when not visiting Kate) with husband Sam at her farm in Londonderry, VT. She has recently been in touch with **Mary Jo Pucci Orsinger** and **Joyce Verhalen Pandolfi**, two classmates we have not heard from in a while. Mary Jo and Joyce, please send us more news! • Many thanks to all who have shared their news and travels with us! Please keep your e-mails, letters, notes, and phone calls coming.

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**Christine Landrey Savage** was recently elected vice president of the International Nurses Society on Addictions. Chris is the director of the master's program in Community Health Nursing at the University of Cincinnati. She and husband Joe make their home on a farm in bluegrass country, growing vegetables and horseback riding. Sons Timothy, Geoff and James are all grown, with the youngest at UC and a member of the crew team. Chris hopes they compete in The Head of the Charles and that she can come cheer them on. May was a busy time for **Janet Pierni Griffin** and **Robert E. Griffin**, as sons Mike and Sean both graduated from BC. Daughter Amy is a sophomore at BC and president of College Road. Daughter Monica is a freshman at the Pingree School, enjoying field hockey and dance. Our condolences are extended to the family of Rev. **Thomas H. Maguire** on the November death of his mother, Eleanor. Reverend Tom is the pastor of St. Helen's parish in Norwell. The family of **Paul C. Doherty** sent sad news. In March, Paul succumbed to brain cancer at home in Cupertino, CA, after nine months of illness, which he faced with great dignity. At the time of his death Paul was a self-employed consultant specializing in central nervous system drug development. He earned his Ph.D. in anatomy at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio and spent many years in pharmaceutical research and development, and held a faculty position in anatomy at Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine. Our condolences are extended to his wife, Jane Keegan Doherty, NC '74 and sons Matthew (19) and Kevin (14).

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Where is everyone? Granted, it has been a comedy of errors, between changes at BC Alumni Association and misplaced newsletters, but **Jane Hudson** and **Sharon**

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**Zailckas** are among the few I hear from on a regular basis. Jane suggested that perhaps **Cathy Brienza** could report on the reception she held at her apartment to celebrate the establishment of the Newton College Alumnae Professorship in Western Culture. SWC lives—and a good thing it is! She was disappointed to miss the reception, but she had a crew team dinner that night. And it was not for one of her kids! She now rows with a women's eight. Despite the fact that the average age in the boat is forty-eight (and that includes a woman in her twenties!), Jane states that they have become pretty decent rowers and have a tremendous sense of teamwork and, most of all, fun. This year they were chanting, "Title 8! Title 8!" as the college crews shot by during the Head of the Connecticut race in October. Jane also decided not to wait twenty years for her next degree and is back in school. She expects to receive her Ph.D. in organization and management from Capella University in 2005, the same year son Jed graduates from Johns Hopkins and daughter Catherine from the Loomis Chaffee School in Windsor, CT. Now *that* will be a party! She begins teaching at UConn in the spring. She also flew out to San Francisco in October to visit **Pat Chiota**, who has returned to the U.S. with her husband, Rick Payne, and daughter, Kendra, after fifteen years in Hong Kong, Australia and Singapore. Jane enjoys kidding Pat about her life, which has been pretty amazing for someone who used to get lost on her way to Newton Center. Please don't forget to send news and keep in touch. May the year 2003 bring us health, happiness and continued friendship.

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I'm resorting to my usual when I don't have enough news about the class—some generic alumni news. We had another good season of football-watching here in L.A., this time at Sonny McLean's in Santa Monica. Our crew of regulars again consisted of Paul Cummings '46, who played for the Eagles in '42 and '43, Tom Sellers '54, Joe, Sr. '61, Joe, Jr. '95, and Amy Lakky '95, Tom Reilly '67, Jim '67 and Judy Day '68, Dave Olson '82, and our club president, Harry Hirschorn '89. Pay us a visit if you're in town during either football season, the Beanpot, or hockey playoffs. **Ken Felter**, a Harvard Law grad and partner in the Boston firm of Goodwin, Hoar, and Proctor, who represents BC in its dispute with the city of Newton, was inducted into the American College of Trial Lawyers. My condolences to the family of Father **Bor Stewert**, a professor at St. Bonaventure University, who passed away last year. I had a nice message from **Bill Cunningham**, who reports that he's

president of a mortgage company in Sacramento. Since my last column, when I reported on my reunion visit with Greenwich, CT, town attorney **Gene McLaughlin**, he and his family made a trip all over the Rocky Mountain states looking at colleges for son Owen, who is president of his class at Fairfield High.

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Many thanks to the Newton alumnae who sent holiday cards to our beloved religious at Kenwood. Let's keep in our prayers Frances Hoza, RSCJ, who passed away in October. New residents at Kenwood include Mary Bush, RSCJ, and Marion Duffy, RSCJ. Does anyone have Neil Young memorabilia for the upcoming reunion of Newton '73? **Connie Yuchengo Gonzalez** sent her holiday cards from the Philippines in October! In brief, Connie has learned how to use a computer, experienced a fantastic fruit crop on her farm, and enjoys raising two new puppies. Her new projects for this year included a country fair, a guidebook to Tagaytay City, a packaging company, and a trading firm. Connie still sits as chairperson at a hospital but has given her work to a vice chairman while she works on procuring an ambulance. When she is not selling real estate, **Susan Jaquet** is singing with a group in Washington, DC. One booking included singing with the Wheat Straw Band, known to many from our mixer days in the student union. **Beany Verdon** reports another very busy year. In March, Bean lost her mom after a lengthy hospitalization. If you are in the Bay Shore, NY area, you may see Beany competing soon. She now skates to a program with Scott Joplin music. Richard, a pharmacist, Scarlett O'Hara, a Jack Russell Terrier, and Rhett, the cat are fine. In 2000, **Gayle Maloney** celebrated her fiftieth birthday participating in a triathlon in Wrentham. She also exercises on her recumbent bike. The way to the reunion was an odyssey. Gayle stopped on the way to pick up Karen Ferrare, in from Tahoe to visit her family in NJ, and Joan Kilcarr Dannenburg in NY. Then they used cell phones to talk with **Suzy Berry Slattery** in Larchmont, NY, and **Marilyn Scully** in Hartford, CT, and went through a hale storm to get to West Simsbury, CT, to pick up Betsy Leece Conti. During our thirtieth reunion dinner, Gayle told us that her father and **Terri Stephan's** go to the same adult care center and share caregivers. Gale and Chuck Crafts are raising angus cows in New Jersey. They have won the New Jersey Angus Breeders Cup for the past three years, two with competition and one with no competition. Keep April 6, 2003, open to join us for our Tenth Annual Newton College Alumnae Spring Tea. You can monitor our plans by checking the Newton College news on the BC Alumni Web site. **Maureen Kelly**

enjoyed Thanksgiving in Los Angeles by rollerblading and then calling East to remind everyone of her beautiful weather. For Christmas, she planned to join her brother in Northern CA and call **Penny Price Nachtman**, who lives in that area. Please keep our dad, who recently passed away at age ninety-two, in your prayers. Take care and please send news for our next column.

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REUNION YEAR  
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Hello, classmates. How were your holidays? Are you ready for the winter to be over? You should be thinking about the end of May and our thirtieth reunion. Please be good about sending in your class dues and your reunion pledge money. And consider returning to Boston in the springtime for our reunion. Again, if you want more information about our reunion weekend, please feel free to contact the BC Alumni office at 1-800-669-8430. • Princeton Softech added a new board member, our classmate **Paul Blondin**. Paul is CEO and chairman of the board for Pactolus Communications Software in Boston. Princeton Softech, a business that specializes in active archiving technologies, tapped Paul for their board of directors because of his experience and expertise in IPOs and mergers and acquisitions, we are told. Paul's company licenses its technology to infrastructure vendors and deploys more than 130 million minutes per month of enhanced service capacity in carrier production networks. Paul previously served as CEO of IPHighway and president and CEO of Netect, and CFO, secretary and treasurer of Cascade Communications Corporation. He was also vice president, controller and general manager of Proteon, Inc.'s European subsidiaries. Congratulations, Paul, and please be sure to hire some of our children. • Believe it or not, there is a new Lower Campus administration building and it houses the Communications, History and Economics departments. • A recent article in *Boston College Chronicle* newspaper recently featured a story about undergraduates who commute to BC from home. At present there are only forty-six undergrad commuters, quite a big difference from the early '70s, when commuters made up a large segment of our class. • If you decide to return for our thirtieth reunion, try to make time for a campus tour and a visit to Burns, the rare books library on campus. • Classmates, please email your class correspondent as soon as you receive your issue of *BC Magazine* so that your news can be included in the next issue. Your classmates thank you for your interesting emails and news updates.



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**Julie Hirschberg Nuzzo** reports: "Principal **Susan Paolino Caputo** of the William Winsor School, in Smithfield, was one of two educators in the state of RI honored in last year's 2002 Milken National Educator Awards. The \$25,000 award was presented to Susan by the state commissioner of education, Peter McWalters. As McWalter's said, 'Susan was chosen because she knows all her students' names, and she does everything from cleaning to landscaping at the Winsor School.' Susan and husband Billy are emptynesters, since daughters Heather and Lee are working adults, and reside in Bristol, RI, with Rocky and Max, their faithful canines. **Beth Meehan Roenbeck** teaches first grade at the Wanamassa School in Ocean Township, NJ. Beth and Ernie are the proud parents of Christopher, who works at ESPN, Kevin, a third-year medical student at George Washington University, and Sean, a sophomore at the University of Delaware, studying health and physical education. Mary Faith **Schilling Saavedra** made her yearly fall pilgrimage to Boston and tailgated with me and **Trisha Keough Almquist** at the BC v. Navy football game. Mary Faith is the guidance director at W.T. Dwyer High School in Palm Beach Gardens, FL. Mary Faith's son, Danny, will graduate from BC in 2003, and son Marc is a freshman at Vanderbilt University. Speaking of Trisha, she recently earned her second master's degree, this one in counseling from Providence College. Trisha accepted a position as a school counselor at East Providence High School in Rhode Island. Trisha and husband, Glenn, have three daughters. Meredith '01 is a marketing assistant for Environmental Science Services; Rachel is a junior at the University of Rhode Island, and Jenny is a freshman at the William F. Connell School of Nursing at BC. Over the last four years, Trisha and I have tailgated at the BC football games on Shea Field. Trisha says 'it has been a great opportunity for our two families to get together, as our children and their friends join us for the pre- and postgame festivities.' Additionally, Trisha and I bump into other classmates like **Maria Sylvestro Curtis** and **Moira Ryan**

**Dougherty**, who also tailgate on Shea Field. **Kim Goulding McParland** began a new assignment last September as vice principal at Dover Sherborne High School. With more than twenty-five years of teaching experience and serving as the mathematics department chair at her previous high school, she is now enjoying the administrative piece of education. I celebrated my fiftieth birthday last October with friends from all over the country. My husband, Tony '73, surprised me with a party. **Deirdre Finn Romanowski**, **Crystal Day** and **Trisha Keough Almquist** were among the guests. Deirdre works as a teaching assistant. She and husband Ron are experiencing the rigors of college applications as their son, Troy, applies to colleges for fall 2003 admittance. Daughter Maura is a high school student and swim team member, while Brian, a middle school student, keeps them busy with soccer. Crystal, who began her career at Digital, recently survived yet another corporate restructuring when her company, Compaq, merged with HP. Crystal continues to enjoy success in the technology marketing area and just returned from a vacation in Aruba. My three children will all graduate in the spring: Beth from BC Law, Michael from BC's Carroll School of Management, and Cortney from Wellesley High School. Lastly, I am the assistant director of alumni at BC for Newton College, and I look forward to working with my NC classmates as we plan our thirtieth reunion in 2004."

'75

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Be sure to check out a must read *Wealthy and Wise: Secrets About Money*, edited by our enormously gifted and talented classmate, **Heidi Schwarzbauer Steiger**. Text chapters are authored by twenty-two experts, including the country's top matrimonial lawyer, legendary nonagenarian Roy Neuberger, and wealth advisors from leading law, consulting and investment firms. All royalties and other proceeds from *Wealthy and Wise* received by Heidi and Roy will be donated to the National Foundation for Teaching Entrepreneurship. NFTE ([www.nfte.com](http://www.nfte.com)) teaches entrepreneurship to low-income teenagers to help them become economically productive members of society. The book can be purchased through numerous online sites, including ([www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com)), ([www.bn.com](http://www.bn.com)) and the Neuberger Berman Web site ([www.nb.com](http://www.nb.com)). Heidi has headed up private asset management at the investment firm Neuberger for the past seventeen years. This division provides customized discretionary investment services for high-net-worth individuals, families, and smaller institutions. Heidi has also authored numerous articles on financial decision-making and invest-

ments that have appeared in business and consumer magazines. She has also made TV appearances on CNBC, PBS, CNNfn, and KWHY TV to discuss personal investing. In addition, Heidi is very active in nonprofit organizations and sits on the boards of: The Metropolitan Museum of Art, Juilliard Dance Committee, The Miami Museum of Contemporary Art, The Whitney Museum of American Art and The Financial Women's Association. Best wishes for continued success! Classmate **Christopher H. Collins** has joined the law firm of Holland & Knight LLP as partner in their Washington, D.C., office. He will continue his practice in the areas of zoning and land-use law, municipal affairs, historic preservation, and foreign missions. That's all for now. Please write and let us know how you're doing. The class of '75 greatly looks forward to hearing from you.

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Mmm ... let's see: Where did I leave us last December before hitting the five-hundred-word limit? • **Cyndee Crowe Frere** is pursuing her long-time dream of running an inn in VT. She decided that culinary school would be the best preparation for that, so she loves every minute she spends at the Center for Culinary Arts in Cromwell, CT. Previously, for seven years, Cyndee was an education coordinator with the Massachusetts Audubon Society. Eldest son, Ryan, was married in December 2001, and second son, Alex, is a freshman at Tufts. • Travel news: I spent a weekend with **Jackie Regan McSwiggan** and family during their August vacation in Ocean Pines, MD. **Mary Stevens McDermott** visited Puerto Rico in December, timing it perfectly to miss the eight-inch snowstorm that hit the DC area while she was away. **Mary Jane Flaherty** introduced her twin boys (7) to Boston in November. **Helen Fox O'Brien**, husband Dana, and daughters Amy (14) and Beth (12) spent a wonderful week in August in Northern CA, bringing back many memories of their honeymoon there eighteen years ago. **Barbara Callahan Saldariagga** and Juan revisited Spain in summer 2002 with their four teenagers: Peter (junior at Harvard), Paul (freshman at Brown), Christina (high school junior), and Michael (eighth grade). • Proud Mommies: **Shawn McGivern** pursues her passion as singer-songwriter and happily shares that daughter Lily (14) has the voice that Mom was known for at Newton. • Caitlin, daughter of **Moira Nestor Stansell** and Bob, is a junior at Cornell's School of Architecture. Oldest, Bobby, graduated from Rensselaer School of Architecture in May 2002 and works for an architectural firm in D.C.; youngest,



Malcolm, is a junior at Thayer Academy in Braintree. **Louise Paul Morin's** youngest daughter, Micaela, spent a month in Costa Rica in August participating in an art program before starting her junior year at Rhode Island College. Louise's "little" brother, Gilbert Gibb, is married with two young boys. Louise and husband, Bob, just celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. **Sandy McDonald Jones's** eldest daughter, Alex (19), is a sophomore at the University of Georgia and made her debut in June 2001. Son Bryant is a high school senior and youngest child, Elizabeth, is in eighth grade and is an avid basketball player. **Barbara Drake Glass's** son, Alex, received an appointment and is a midshipman at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis. **Teresa Valdes-Fauli Weintraub** and husband, Lee, have three teenagers: Robert, a senior at the Pomfret School in CT, Margarita, a high school senior at home in Miami, and Sarah, a sophomore at Choate in CT. **Mary Ciccio Griffin** and husband John have two children in college in Boston (Amherst and BC) and their youngest, Andrew, is in ninth grade at Albany Academy. • Classmates are looking for e-mail addresses for **Peggy Lyons** and **Betsy Costello Forbes**. Please advise to my address above and I will pass these along to the requestors. • Lastly, five hundred words don't go very far, so I'll expand on other notes from our classmates in future columns. Wishing my readers an early, warm spring in your neighborhoods!

'76

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Many classmates called and sent notes to **Peggy Ogonowski** in the months following her husband, John's, death on September 11. You'll recall that he was the captain of American Airlines flight 11 on that infamous date. Peggy asked that the following open letter to her classmates be included in this edition: "My dear classmates: Thank you all so much for your thoughts, words and prayers this past year. The evil we all experienced that fateful day was traumatic. The kindness, love, compassion and generosity from all of you was profound and will stay with me for the rest of my life. God Bless you. (signed) Peggy Ogonowski." And God bless you and yours, Peggy! Rev. August Thompson, whose motto is "Retired but not yet tired," has kept busy down in bayou country. He has also found time to publish commentaries and essays on religious matters, including the sex abuse scandal. In November, a pretty crystal eagle arrived at this address with an attached plaque reading "In Recognition of your Dedication to the BC Class of '76, 1976-2001." This thoughtful gesture, much appreciated, bore the return address of

class president **Rick Carlson**, but methinks others, including **Bill Kelly**, were once again involved in the plotting. Thank you for the letters you all send, for without them I'd have little to share. Please take time to write or send an e-mail. Here's hoping all have a healthy and happy winter. God bless!

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REUNION YEAR  
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I hope no news is good news, and/or you're just saving the info for the big "Two-Five" reunion in May ... marriages, remarriages, kids, jobs, new careers, business highs and lows, new homes, made-over homes, yada yada and such. Speaking of the aforementioned, **Bob Ogan** writes that he and his family built a new home on the water in Swampscott three years ago. Bob and wife, Leslie, have been married for twenty-one years, and their children are now sixteen and eighteen. Bob is president and CEO of Bake 'n Joy Foods in North Andover. Bake 'n Joy manufactures products for the baking industry, selling their products throughout the United States, and exporting to Puerto Rico and Mexico. In his spare time, Bob enjoys boating, skiing, and golfing and will soon have his license for open-water diving. Wow, thanks for all the info, Bob! You sound very busy. • Another busy bee is **Barbara A. Moriarty**, who will be attending the reunion and is hoping to see various classmates/friends/roomies. She sends greetings to Kathy, MA, Laura, Sue, Eileen—"hope you'll be there, too. e-mail me at bamoriarty@aol.com." • I would like to have any of you please say prayers for my oldest, Blake Flannery, a corporal in the Marine Corps and a rifleman in the infantry. He is being deployed as I write. To say I'm anxious is an understatement. In some ways, I would rather he be trolling the Mods for girls and parties and setting the School of Management or Arts and Sciences on fire with excellent grades. However ... Looking forward to seeing "old" faces in May. (I guess "old" can be taken literally these days, darn it!) Deadline for the spring issue is early March, so you've got a little time to zap me some info, whether you attend the reunion or not. Hope to hear from you. And you women from Mod 8A—be there at the twenty-fifth. Do not evade the reunion process! Ditto **Bruce Fador**—very long time no see!

'79

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Hi! Hope that the winter is treating you all well. **Brian Kickham** and his wife, Ellen, have four children: Bill (16), Brian (14), and Erin and Christopher (10). He said that they all went to the BC-ND game, and this is a must-do! He gets to see **Ed Nabhan** and **Ed Nash** pretty regularly. Annually, he gets together with **Jim Larner** and **Kevin O'Brien**, courtesy of **Gary Nagle**. He went to the American Society of Industrial Security Convention in Philadelphia and ran into **Peter Bagley**! He said that Peter is doing well at Raytheon. Brian is currently serving a two-year term on the BC Alumni Board of Directors as the chair-elect of the nominating committee. He wanted to know where **Joe Spinale** has been? **Barbara (Gould) Uskup** has had several careers in sales, advertising and buying, and training and selling international show jumpers. She has lived in Boston, in downtown Chicago and in lake Forest, IL. After many years of happily being single, she married Tom Uskup and they live six months a year on their farm in Barrington, IL and the other six months in Wellington, FL. They both play polo avidly. Barb is a real estate agent in Barrington, IL, specializing in horse properties as well as working with clients that may ride but don't keep their horses at home. She is wondering what happened to her old roommates: **Anne McCready**, **Ann Schwoebel**, **Nancy Ries**, **Sue Johnson** and **Debbie Alfano**. She would love to hear from some of the old gang at some point. **Lynn Carlotto** has been named executive director of Arena at Harbor Yard in Bridgeport, CT, as announced by Volume Services of America, a leading provider of food and management services for sports, convention and entertainment centers. In her new role, she will be responsible for the overall management of the ten-thousand-seat arena, including event booking, facility marketing and sponsorships, finance, ticketing, premium seating services, retail food and merchandise, catering, operations, security and maintenance. In the past, Lynn has served in marketing and management posts in the entertainment industry and at venues in the Northeast, including the Hartford Civic Center. What's been going on in your life?

'80

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Hi everyone. I hope your holiday season was everything you and your families hoped for. • **Lynn Jackson** writes from Stamford, CT and reports that she has left her position as vice president of organiza-



tional communications at GE Capital Commercial Finance to launch her own monthly newspaper. Slapshot will cover all levels of ice hockey in Fairfield, CT. It is a one-woman show, as she is handling all editorial, production and advertising roles. She started the paper because she spends so much time going to and from local rinks with her sister and her four kids that she decided she might as well put her masters in communications from Rutgers to good use. Who knew all those hours spent watching the Eagles would pay off later on. "Now, if only Joe Augustine hadn't dropped his dentures into my beer at Mary Ann's ..." • As I noted in the last issue, **Paul Gallasch** died on May 5, 2002 from injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident in Denver, CO. After graduation Paul worked for Proctor and Gamble and for Prudential Insurance. He received his MBA from Farleigh Dickenson and his master of architecture from the University of Colorado. He worked on several architecture projects in the Denver area and also became engrossed in art photography, concentrating on large-scale portraits of urban landscapes. His work sold nationally and his most recent show was at the Red Shift Gallery in Denver. A memorial and celebration of his life was held in May 2002. Donations in his memory can be made to Denver Dumb Friends League or the University of Colorado College of Architecture and Planning Paul Gallasch Scholarship Fund. • Congratulations to **Nancy Broude** who has been named executive assistant to the president of the Nellie Mae Foundation. Before joining the Foundation, Broude was director of developmental and external relations for the Immigrant Learning Center. She received an EdM degree from Harvard University Graduate School of Education. • Check out **William Kickham** on the AT&T Broadband network show *At The Bar* in the suburban Boston market. The Westwood attorney hosts the show, which analyzes a number of highly topical, current legal issues in the news from both a practical and a humorous perspective. • **Rosanne Scott Potter** was thrilled that BC beat Notre Dame again this year. She lives in Shaker Heights, OH with her husband and newly adopted son, James William. She is Treasurer of Lubrizol Corporation, a \$2 billion specialty chemical company. She

reports that she and her husband are thrilled to be parents. **Louis Provenzano, Jr.** is James William's godfather. • **Terry O'Neill** writes from North Attleboro, where he lives with his six children! (ages one, two, six, eight, ten and eleven). He works as a lawyer for an insurance company. He wants to know where Dr. **Mike Brescia** is. He feels it's time for his next invasive exam ... • It was great to hear from **Mary Menna** again. She is proud to announce a promotion to regional director of national sales for New England Clear Channel, and she still is the national sales manager for KISS and WJMN. • That's all for now. I look forward to hearing from you for the next issue.

'81

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Since last writing me about ten years ago, **Susan Riley** has had a second daughter, Sabrina Rose, who is now five years old. Susan and her family have also moved to St. Louis, MO, where she has taken a job as vice president of strategic planning and development for ESCO Technologies. Susan would love to hear from former classmates and friends at [sriley@escotechnologies.com](mailto:sriley@escotechnologies.com). **Daniel Heffernen** and his wife, Julia, were awarded the 2002 Dr. Allen C. Crocker Award of Excellence by the Massachusetts Down's Syndrome Congress. The award was given in recognition of their commitment to advocacy and public awareness of the strengths and abilities of citizens with Down's Syndrome. Dan and Julia's son, Brian, who is eleven years old and has Down's Syndrome, and their daughters, Magdalene and Evelyn, spoke and accepted the award on their parents' behalf and received a standing ovation from the seven-hundred attendees at the MDSC's annual conference. Dan is the president of the board of directors of the Federation for Children with Special Needs, a national organization based in Boston that provides information, support and assistance to parents of children with disabilities, as well as to their professional partners and their communities. A growing portion of Dan's plaintiff personal injury law practice at Weisman & Associates in Boston is devoted to representing children with disabilities and their families in civil rights and professional malpractice cases. Sue and **Joe Harkins** live in Summit, NJ with their children, Christian (six) and Julia (four). He keeps in (not enough!) contact with Mod 6B roommates, **Mark Caprio, Brendan O'Rourke, Greg Hayden, Bob Schumaker** and **Don Gehan**. Joe was named principal of The Staubach Company's New York office this past year. The Staubach Company is a national real estate firm based in Dallas, TX. Joe has been involved with the difficult effort of revitalizing Lower

Manhattan post—September 11 through his firm's representation of commercial office space users there, including major law and financial firms as well as the SEC and the City and State of New York's office portfolios. Joe reports that he was involved in a "mini-reunion of (semi-serious) BC '81 golfers for a two-day BC open tournament at Philadelphia Country Club and Metedeconk National Golf Club in Jackson, NJ for the (not-so-serious) Animal Cup trophy. The Cup, a creation of **Greg Bowerman** in 2000 for the inaugural event, unfortunately passed from the hands of **Jim Gorga** to a non-Eagle (a St. Michaels College grad, of all things!). The limited field of participants included **Greg Clower, Jim Gorga, John Graham, Brett Kellam, Tim O'Donnell, Tim Laughlin, Bob Cucuel** and **Phil Murray**. Joe says they're looking forward to expanding the field and/or volunteer pool to plan the next venue. Come one, come all! You can reach Joe at [Joe.Harkins@Staubach.com](mailto:Joe.Harkins@Staubach.com) if you're interested! My best wishes for 2003! Stay in touch!

'82

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For those of you who like to send Class Notes updates the old fashioned way—through the mail—please note my new address, which brings me fifteen minutes closer to Chestnut Hill. It makes those early morning drives on Saturdays in football season much easier! We're almost a year past our Twentieth Reunion, and people are still reminiscing fondly, like **Bill Lippman** and **Leslie Carlson Lippman**, who wrote, "Dear **John Hall**, we fell in love with you all over again and were inspired to write when we read your comments in the last alumni column. Recently, some of the residents of Mods 8A and 7B got together at our home in Doylestown, PA. **Jay Lavroff, Pam Byrne Lavroff** (Bridgewater, NJ), and **Mary Buonocore Kaldany** (Suffern, NY) were there. We missed **Lynne Keegan Villecco** (Cheshire, CT), **Andrea Regina** (Tewksbury) and **Greg Andre** (Hinsdale, IL.) We would like to know "Where are you?" **John Hall, Nancy Burgoyne, Dan Trone, Bill McKeever, Eddy Kamp, Marybeth Kearney, Dave Kujampaa, Danny Roche, Mike Diker** and **Bob Cosmo '83**. Get in touch with one of us!" The best way to find any of our classmates is to log on to the BC alumni online community at [www.bc.edu/alumni](http://www.bc.edu/alumni). You can even get your BC "e-mail for life forwarding address," just like the one I now use at the top of my column. **Rich Seufert** and his wife, Wendy, celebrated Thanksgiving with their third child, Grace Isabelle, who joins her two big brothers at home in Warwick, RI. Rich is a Senior VP at Fleet Precious Metals in Providence. Rich also let us know that **Chris Buckley**

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and **Lynn (Rodstrom) Buckley** just built a new house in Lakeville. Chris runs Northeast Marketing, a business founded by his father. Lynn owns three women's clothing stores called Essentials. They have two boys, Michael and Andrew. Congratulations to **Cindi Bigelow** and her company, R.C. Bigelow, Inc., which was honored by my employer, the University of Connecticut, with the 2002 Family Business of the Year Award. More than 1500 companies applied. Congratulations to Dr. **Susan Erikson**, who earned the title by receiving her PhD in medical anthropology and now teaches global health affairs at the University of Denver. Thanks for the news! That's it for this time around ... please let me know what's up in your corner of the world.

'83

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REUNION YEAR  
MAY 30 TO JUNE 1

Hello, once again, and thanks for sharing your news. You can reach me by e-mail at [cindybocko@hotmail.com](mailto:cindybocko@hotmail.com). Here's the latest ... **Jim Clinton** joined Chebacco Design & Communications, LLC as VP of business development and is pursuing a consulting role in commercial and financial printing. In August, Jim and his wife rode in the Pan-Mass Challenge to raise money for the Jimmy Fund in the fight against cancer. This was Jim's third year of participation in a charity event that runs from Sturbridge to Provincetown, 190 miles in 2 days. Jim wonders if there are other Class of '83 members who also ride in this event. Jim has two boys, Alex and Nicholas, and lives in Mansfield. He often sees **Ken and Dena (Jacobsen) Carlone** and their children, Brian and Rebecca, and sometimes catches up with **Brian Lussier** and his wife, Pat. Jim asks, "But where are **Marty and Lynn (DeRosa '84) Romanelli** hiding out? Somewhere on Long Island, I think. We'd love to hear from old friends who haven't seen us in the Notes for a while." **Michael Cote** writes that nine '83 grads got together for a pre-reunion meeting over the weekend of September 13-16 in Amelia Island, FL. Some golf, beverages and meals were enjoyed as well as much reminiscing about great years at BC. They had lawyers, accountants, doctors, dentists, technologists, insurance agents and general business people represented in the group, which included **Rob Rung, Don Smith, Joe Giacoia, Bill McKenna, Bill Early, Doug Shamon, Mark Hoy, Kevin Sweeney** and Mike. The plans were developed for Boston in May/June 2003 for the Twentieth Reunion, when an additional five BC grads will be present when the wives join the group. The hope is to make this a regular, maybe annual, event. **Judith**

**O'Neil** moved back to the US after ten years of living in Brisbane, Australia. Judith and her husband and daughters, Elizabeth (seven), and Laura (three), live in Easton, on the eastern shore of Maryland. Judith has a position at the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science Horn Point Lab as a research assistant professor. A special "hello" to Stash, who is a devoted reader of this particular column!

'84

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Happy New Year! Hope you are all enjoying 2003. **Genny Liquori Byrne** and husband John announced the birth of a daughter, Jamie Lynn, born last April 3, 2002. She joins older sister Rachel, who is twenty-one months old. Genny has been living in Pennsylvania for the last seven years. She works as director of operations at Allied Personnel Corporation in Bethlehem. Her husband, John, is the assistant athletic director at Moravian College. Bill and **Shelley (Aguda) Downes** live in Southington, CT. They have three children: two girls, ages eight and six, and a boy, age two. Shelley is a stay-at-home mom and loves it! She is still in touch with **Kyon Kang Scallion** who lives in Granby, CT and is busy with two children. **Kim Hoyt** (formerly Kisatsky) opened a professional photography business in 1992. Chateau Photography is located in Toland, CT. She also owns a boarding stable, where she cares for many horses. Kim is also opening a non-profit organization to advocate healthier, vegetarian diets and raise public awareness about the inhumane treatment of animals. Kim lives in Tolland, CT and has two daughters, Alexandra and Genevieve. She remains in close contact with other BC alumni, especially **Lisa Tata, Dennis Bourgault, Gary Jankowski, Valerie and Eric McCartney, Farhad Mavandad and Shelley Aguda Downes**. **Judy Kwek Garnier** has been married and living in France for the last twelve years. She and her husband have three boys: Nicolas, age eleven, Julien, age nine, and Quentin, age four. Judy lives on the outskirts of Paris and would love to have news from other BC graduates who are planning to visit Paris or are living in the area. Her address is: Judy Kwek Garnier; 12 rue Sylvain Vigneras, 92380 Garches. Her telephone number is 33-6-86-68-77-32. Judy hopes that those traveling in Europe will give her a call. **Christine Gin Nielsen** is married and lives in New York with her husband, Christian. They have two children, Scott and Lauren. **Margaret Reynolds O'Connor** lives in New Jersey with her husband, Michael. They have six children: Brian, Tim, Joe, Dan, Peter and Jack. **Tim Kozikowski** writes that last summer he accepted a challenge and

embarked on a personal odyssey that pushed him in ways that he never thought possible. Since June 2002, he has been training nearly every day lifting weights, spinning and, most importantly, inline skating fifty-to-seventy-five miles per week in preparation for the Athens to Atlanta (A2A) road race, considered one of the most demanding amateur endurance events in the country. Tim did this as part of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's Team in training fitness and fundraising program. Last October 6, 2002, Tim completed the thirty-eight-mile course through the rolling Georgia hills in just over four hours. He also raised more than \$3100 to help in the fight against leukemia and other blood-related cancers. Tim's goal next year is to complete the race in under 3:30 and to raise at least \$5000. Tim writes that he would like to do this in honor of BC alumni who have been affected by this illness and encourages them to contact him at [kozikowski@mac.com](mailto:kozikowski@mac.com). The Athens-to-Atlanta Road Skate Web site can be seen at [www.a2a.net/](http://www.a2a.net/). Thanks for all the news. Hope to hear from you soon. Enjoy spring!

'85

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Hello again, thanks for the cards and e-mail news. I am sad to report that **Ernest "Ernie" Fortin**, thirty-eight, died November 9, 2002 in Charleston, SC. Ernie is survived by his wife, Kathleen (Davis) Fortin, two daughters, Emily and Elizabeth, a son, Andrew, and three sisters, Michele (Fortin) Hardy '78, Colette (Fortin) Martin '79, and Andree (Fortin) Santini '81. Ernie worked as a group specialist for New England Financial. He was a commander in the Navy Reserves and had previously served several years active duty in the Navy, including duty in Desert Storm. Go rush out to your local bookstore and buy a copy of **Mike Nichols'** very first novel, *The Waking*. The book has been getting very strong reviews and is a suspenseful thriller. Mike has a regular column in the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*. **Renee Sullivan Warias** got married on September 1, 2002, to Udo Warias at St. Charles Borromeo Church in Skillman, NJ. Renee's sister, Martha Sullivan Sapp '86, was a matron of honor. 1985 alumni in attendance were: **Analisa Sama Holmes, Teresa Ryan, Sherri Sifers McCaul, and Rob Hillman**. Renee and Udo honeymooned in the Finger Lakes of New York. Renee and Udo live in Pennington, NJ, with his son, Justin (22). Renee has worked at The Chauncey Group International as a senior test developer for seven years. Congratulations to **Mary Simpson Orear** and her husband, Ed, on the arrival of identical twin boys on September 5, 2002. The boys' names are Christopher Robert and Jack Edward. Mary enjoyed her



maternity leave and went back to work after the New Year as director of professional services at Teloquent Communications, in Billerica. **Maria Palmerola** got married in July 1996 to David Matayabas. **Judy Gallant** was one of the bridesmaids. Maria works at Tufts Health Plan in Watertown as a service assurance analyst. In May 2002, Maria took an adoption leave of absence to care for her new son. Maria and David adopted a little nine-and-a-half-month-old boy from the Philippines, Javier Santiago Matayabas. Maria and David flew out to Manila on forty-eight-hours notice at the end of April 2002 and came back on May 3, 2002 with little Javier! On September 11, 2001 we lost our classmate **Stacey Sennas McGowan** in the World Trade Center tragedy. Since that time, Stacey's husband, **Tom McGowan**, has communicated numerous times with the administration at BC regarding the topic of tuition waivers for the children of Boston College alumni who perished in the September 11 tragedies; many other universities have implemented such a program. Boston College has chosen not to offer this tuition waiver to the nineteen school-age children who survive the twenty-four BC alums that died that day. The Sennas/McGowan family believes that BC has not provided a clear answer to the question of why the school has chosen not to join their fellow Jesuit schools in offering tuition waivers. In the November 5, 2002 edition of *The Heights* newspaper, **Tom McGowan** had a letter published: "BC should offer scholarships to children of 9/11 victims." (You can go to [www.bcheights.com](http://www.bcheights.com) to see the actual letter.) In this letter to the editor, Tom professes his utter disbelief that his family and friends have not received anything more than what he believes are half-hearted replies from the BC administration on this topic. As classmates of Stacey and Tom, I thought that many of you would be interested in this issue. Thanks for your cards and notes and please think of me and let me know of news in your lives ...

'86

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Happy winter to all! **Mary Fulginiti** wed her long-time beau, Rick Genow, last December at the beautiful Mexican resort, Careyes. Mary and Rick live in Santa Monica, where Mary practices law. Congratulations to Mary and Rick! **Joan Dillihunt** was in attendance for the festivities south of the border! Joan lives in San Diego, where she works as a nurse for a plastic surgeon. **Paul Scobie** is living in East Greenwich, RI, right around the corner from Bruce and me and shared the news of Mary's and Joan's whereabouts! Paul also reports that **Leslie Mann Severance** and husband, Dave, live in Brookside, WI with their daughters,

Maddie and Courtney. Leslie is an ob/gyn practicing in Milwaukee. Paul would love to know how **Chris Mordarski** and **Monique Paquette Mordarski** are and where they are—get in touch, guys! **Sue Barbrow O'Connell** and her husband, Tim, are thrilled to announce the birth of their third child, Matthew Ryan, who joins Haley (four) and Sean (two)! They are living in Oak Brook, IL. I loved visiting with **Kristen Steinkrauss Blount** and **Diane Casey Boulanger** at a Christmas party. Kristen is a real estate executive for Meredith and Grew, Boston. She and her husband, John, live in Cambridge with their children, Jared and Emily. Diane and her husband, Al, live in Arlington and Diane is working on *The Heights*, in the BC Development Office! **Mike Monahan** was recently named assistant principal at Exeter High School in Exeter, NH. He received his principal certificate from Rivier College. **Joseph Walsh** of Madison, NJ has been named by the *New Jersey Law Journal* as one of the top forty lawyers under forty and is a partner in a law firm in New Jersey. **Eric Weinheimer** and his wife, Tina, and their children, John, Annie and Thomas, live in River Forest, IL. Eric received an MBA from the University of Chicago and, after many years in the banking industry, decided to join the CARA Program, as president and CEO. The organization's mission is to help the homeless and at-risk populations turn their lives around by offering them job training, placement and other critical assistance. Good luck to Eric in this valuable work. Thanks to all who write, e-mail and report on the news of classmates!

'87

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Hello! I hope that you are all well, and that the New Year is off to a good start. I had the chance to go to a few football games this fall, and Jaclyn and I enjoyed the activities at Fan Fest in the Plex. There were lots of things for kids to do, as well as appearances by Baldwin the Eagle and cheerleaders. I encourage you to check it out next year if you're going to a game. Admission is free; food and beverages are available for sale. I didn't receive a lot of news for this column, so I encourage you to send me a quick e-mail if you have an update. Here's what's new ... **Kim Pachetti** was recently appointed director of human resources at the School of Dental Medicine at SUNY-Buffalo. She continues to function as the school's director of research administrative services as well. **Mark Haddad** e-mailed that, after working for fifteen years as both a music teacher and school administrator, he left the world of education to pursue a career in interior design. Along with business partner Kurt Hakansson '84, he launched Beyond Space LLC, a full-service interior design firm serving clients in Boston and New York City. He is still performing as a

singer with the Boston Symphony Orchestra and Boston Pops Orchestra and as a member of the Tanglewood Festival Chorus. He lives in Belmont with his wife, Cynthia, and one-year-old son, Anthony. **David DiFillipo** and his wife, Melissa, welcomed Dante Placido on August 2. They live in Phoenix, AZ where David is the director of sales and marketing for In Celebration of Golf Management. **Don Creston** married Kathy O'Brien in August. She is the daughter of Richard O'Brien '58, who is a former president of the Alumni Association, and the granddaughter of James O'Brien '16. **Chris Ortega** and **John Billera** were groomsmen. Don is a partner in the law firm of Venable, Baetjer and Howard in Vienna, VA. The couple lives in Springfield, VA. **Gina Birmingham Cohen** and her husband welcomed daughter Chloe Lucia on September 30. They live in Swampscott, and Gina is very happy being an at-home mom. **Peter McIntyre** e-mailed that he has been living in Miami for the past five years, and is the director of the Infants and Toddler's Early Intervention Program at Miami Children's Hospital. He is also the author of *Precipitating Events*, an exciting mystery that has been getting wonderful reviews. It is available at Amazon, Barnes and Noble and Walmart. Peter also mentioned that he is the son of Jim '57 and brother to Monica '85, Mary '86, Jimmy '89, Annie '91, Kara '94 and Dave '99. Great BC family! **David Conrad** and his wife, Janet, welcomed daughter Victoria Lea on November 9. **Michael Sacco** recently joined the firm of Hill & Barlow in Boston. He will be a member of the firm's trial department and employment group. He is a frequent guest lecturer for the Massachusetts Association of Contributory Retirement Systems. He received his JD from Suffolk Law School and is a member of the Massachusetts Bar Association and the Justinian Law Society. He was formerly a partner with Peabody & Arnold in Boston. That's all for now. Enjoy the spring!

'88

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REUNION YEAR  
MAY 30 TO JUNE 1

'89

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Hello Class of '89, I hope the New Year finds you all well. My e-mail and mailbox have been pretty quiet for the past couple of months so this issue of our Class Notes will be short. Please help make this column interesting and send in your update. Your classmates would love to know what you are up to. **Kevin Murphy** has recently joined the PrivateBank and



Trust Company, Chicago, as associate managing director. Kevin and his family live in Glencoe, IL. **Jennifer Johnson Molina** and her husband, Juan, welcomed their second child, Miguel Alejandro, into the world on June 26. They and Manuel, Miguel's two-year-old brother, are very proud. **Susan Cain Lucy** and her husband, Brian, welcomed their third child, Erin, on June 12, 2002. Susan and her husband have two other children, Megan (three) and Matthew (two) and are currently residing in North Andover. **Kelly Furlong Stenberg** sent along news that **Linda Plate** married Tim Guy in a beautiful October wedding; they are currently living in Beacon Hill. Attendants in her wedding party included Kelly and **Karen Theall Elders**. **Michelle Lally O'Grady** had her third child, Robert. He joins Michael (three) and Madeline (two). **Lynne Cogavin Toland** had a child, Nicholas. **Jon Walker** married Kerry Ferguson in October, in a lovely wedding in Nantucket. They currently live in London. Many of his college roommates were in attendance, **Chris Connors**, **Rick** and **Caroline Pasman Craig**, **John** and **Katie Zahn O'Neill**, **Bryan** and **Kelly Furlong Stenberg**, **Michael** and **Amy Fay Kopfler**, **James Mannix**, and **John Heffernan**.

'90

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Everyone must have been too busy doing their holiday shopping to send updates—it was a slow year-end in the 1990 news department! Make sure your New Year's resolutions include e-mailing me your news to share with the rest of the class! (My next column is due March 17.) **Dan Kolenda** and his wife, Kathy '89, recently adopted a nine-month old little girl from just outside of Moscow, Russia. Her name is Annalise Kristina Kolenda. Dan is still serving as in-house Counsel for Progress Software Corporation in Bedford and was recently promoted to the rank of captain in the United States Army Reserves, Judge Advocate General's Corps. **Cyril Lemaire** and with his wife Karen live in Needham and recently added two beautiful daughters to their family, Celine (two-and-a-half) and Annelise (ten months). Cyril says, "It's a blast, but I'd love to be in college all over again and get to sleep until 11:00 on weekends." (Ain't that the truth!) Cyril is a consulting director at Circle, an interactive marketing agency, managing some great accounts like the new BMW MINI line of cars. Cyril still gets together with many BC '90 grads including **Paul Zampitella**, **Denise Angelo Welsh**, **Todd Wyles**, **Will McCarthy**, **Joe Scarfi**, **Craig Orr**, **Daryl Michals**, **Fred Copper**, **Dan McCarthy**, **Mark Nadolny**, and **David Delmore** ... most of whom should also be congratulated

for the arrival of newborns! **Deirdre Curry Mewborn** and her husband, Rick, are still living in Steamboat Springs, CO, where Deirdre teaches and chases after their two-year-old daughter Reilly. **Tom Roach** is a finance director for Fidelity Investments in Marlborough. He recently celebrated his fifth anniversary with wife Meghan. They have three daughters: Caroline turned four in January, Abigail who was two in December, and Hannah who was born in March. The Roach family lives in Ashland. **Lori Ann Selya Young** and her husband, Daniel, welcomed their first daughter, Paige Emerson, on November 22, 2002. Lori Ann is enjoying her new role as a stay-at-home mom! I hope 2003 is going well thus far and I look forward to hearing from you soon!

'91

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I hope everyone had a happy, healthy holiday and is looking forward to spring-time. There is lots to tell, so here it is! **Colleen Hasey Schuhmann** and her husband, Paul, welcomed a baby boy on September 27. His name is Matthew Joseph. He joins his big sister, Rose, who will be two on December 4. The Schuhmann's are enjoying life down in Delray Beach, FL. **Nancy Bassett** married Scott Thrasher on September 28, 2002 in Woodstock, VT. They reside on Bourne's Pond in East Falmouth, MA. Nancy is Vice President of Oakwood Financial Group in Mashpee and Scott is a paramedic and firefighter with the Falmouth Fire and Rescue. Bridesmaids included BC Class of '91 alums **Laura (Leonard) Knapp**, **Marianne LaCroix**, and **Kristin Geshkewich**. Other BC '91 guests included **Andrea L. Benoit**, **Kathleen Toner**, **Patrice (Bouzan) Rodman**, and Marianne's husband, **Jim Doyle**. **Kathleen Toner** is living the exciting life of a field producer for ABC News Productions in New York, producing documentaries for television stations such as A&E Biography and the Discovery Channel. **Kristin Geshkewich** lives in Evanston, IL. She teaches History and coaches swimming in the Chicago area. **Patrice (Bouzan) Rodman** is a learning disabilities specialist at Northeastern University. She married Rich Rodman on August 18, 2001 at Ocean Edge in Brewster and they live in Sudbury. **Andrea L. Benoit** and her husband, Gaetano Polizio, are thrilled to announce the birth of their second son, Lucien Benoit Polizio, on June 3, 2002. He was welcomed home by big brother Luigi Polizio, who is two. Andrea and her family live in Hingham, and she is an attorney with the Defense Contract Management Agency in Boston. **Laura (Leonard) Knapp** and her husband, Lawrence, were blessed with a baby girl, Sarah Joy Knapp, on November 12, 2001.

# ALUMNI EVENING AT THE ARTS FESTIVAL

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She joined big brother Christopher Jarvis Knapp, who is three. The Knapp family recently moved to Manheim Township, PA. Congratulations to **Shelby (Lovett) Cuevas** and her husband, Leslie, on the birth of their son, Gray James Cuevas on May 13, 2002. The Cuevas family resides in Phoenix, AZ. **David O'Neill**, who started the women's crew program at BC, is now the women's coach at Berkeley. At the Head of the Charles Regatta, he was honored by BC to have their new women's boat named after him. **Peter DuBose** is living outside of New York with his wife, Natalie, and thirteen-month-old son, Griffin. Peter is working for Merrill Lynch and admits he has been horrible about keeping in touch and hopes friends are not too annoyed! **Cary (McMillan) Keller** has been busy since graduation! After graduation, Cary moved to NYC and began working for JP Morgan then was transferred to Europe for a year and a half with JP Morgan. Upon returning to the States, she received her MBA at Dartmouth College, and has been working in Boston for Goldman Sachs since graduation. She is currently a vice president in equity institutional sales. Cary married John (GSOM '00) in Rhode Island at the Aldrich Mansion in Warwick Neck. Many BC alumni were in attendance. **Robyn (Martelo) de Castro** was Cary's matron of honor and she brought along her two-month old son, Alex. **Terri Ross** and **Gina (Von Oehsen) Cleary**, were also in the bridal party. **Tricia (Lynch) McCool** and her husband Steve, **Julie (Costello) Hubbard** and her husband Jeff, **Pam (Frame) Pearlman** (Pam was a reader) and her husband Ted, and lastly, Lara Metcalf '90 and her husband, Gregg Mastoras, were all in attendance. Gina has a daughter named Bridget. Tricia and Steve have three kids, Jack, Corinne and Devlin. Julie has three kids as well, Colin, Giles and Ginger, and Pam has a one-year old daughter, Reece. Cary and John are now living in Beacon Hill and hope people will look them up if they're back in Boston. On October 26, 2002, **Katie Zipfel Leavy** married David C. Leavy, in Naples, Florida. Katie's uncle, Monsignor John Delaney, from All Hallows College in Dublin, Ireland, performed the ceremony. Two BC alumni, John Allen Cameron (JAC) McLean '92, and Meghan Mutchler Deerin '92 were



attendants in the ceremony. After graduating from BC, Katie attended the Rhode Island School of Design and received her degree in interior architecture. She relocated to DC in '96 and worked in the industry for various architecture and hotel design firms before starting her own firm, Capital Design, LLC, in May of 2000. Her work has been published in several magazines including *Metropolitan Home* and most recently, *Hospitality Design* in November 2002. Her firm focuses on high-end residential and luxury hotel design. She is also the lead consultant on a project with the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) at the State Department to develop a line of furniture that will be produced in Gaza and marketed in the US. Her new husband, David Leavy, is the senior VP for communications and strategy for Discovery Communications, Inc., the parent company for Discovery Channel, Animal Planet, the Travel Channel, and all of the Discovery networks worldwide. Previously, David served as chief spokesman for the National Security Council at the White House. Katie and David plan on staying in DC for the foreseeable future. **Chris Kypriotis** has been living in southern France for the past four years. He is the president of Rusty Europe, the European division of the international surf/skate/snowboard company, and second term vice president of Eurosima, the European surf/skate/snowboarding industry manufacturers association. He was married in 2000. On September 20, 2002, **Maria Niell** married Kevin G. Bannon. **Nancy Wunner Oakley** and **Anne Boyle Nadeau** attended the wedding in Stamford, CT. She and her husband went to Budapest, Vienna and Prague for the honeymoon. They work in Manhattan and live in the Bronx.

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**Laura (Haggerty) Lacalle** missed the reunion this year because she was awaiting the arrival of her second child, David Joaquin, who was born on June 10, 2002. He is adored by his two-year-old sister, Daniela. Although mothering is a full-time job itself, Laura also works part-time as an economic analyst for a small consulting firm in McLean, VA. In September, the family traveled to her husband's native Spain to visit his family and to baptize David. **Andrea Martinez Kondracke** completed medical school at John's Hopkins in 2000. Then she spent a summer taking classes at Maryland Institute of Art before going to Peru to do tuberculosis research. In June, Andrea completed an internal medicine internship at University of Maryland and moved to NYC. She is currently a psychiatry resident at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital. Andrea is very happy to be in

NYC and lives on the Upper West Side with her dog, Bronte. Proud father **Roberto F. Duran** reports that Roberto III was born December 26, 2001 in his native Republic of Panama. **Mary Ellen (Collins) Quinn** was married to Jeff Quinn on May 11, 2002. Their reception was held at Castle Hill in Ipswich, the site of the Great Gatsby Ball from Senior Week. Fellow classmates in attendance were **Kerrie (Keer) Noone**, **Suzanne (Marion) Watts**, **Rosemarie (Deleo) Anastasiades**, **Eileen (Evey) Mulligan**, **Christine (Venezia) Vella**, **Angela Venezia**, **Cathy (Carney) Delorie**, and **Jennifer (Doherty) O'Toole**. The couple returned from their honeymoon in the South Pacific just in time to join in all the reunion festivities. Mary Ellen is the marketing manager for Artisoft, a software company in Cambridge, and the couple currently lives in Beverly. **Lisa (Purtell) Ennis** and **Daniel Ennis** welcomed a baby girl, Madeleine Grace, on May 28, 2002. They currently reside in Natick. Lisa continues to work in market research at EMC Corp. and Daniel recently left McKinsey and Company to work in the budget and finance organization at Harvard University. **Elaine Berkeley** graduated from Southern Methodist University's Dedman School of Law in May. And a few weeks later, while the rest of the class celebrated our tenth year anniversary, Elaine married Jody Griffith on June 1 at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Dallas, TX. Classmates in attendance were **Keelin (Byrne) Moran**, **Louise (Terciak) Donlon**, **Meg Allen**, **Steve Casey**, **Tony Ricupero**, **Paul Bureau '93**, **Dave Smartt '93**, and **Paul Day '91**. Elaine is currently practicing law with her husband and father-in-law at Griffith and Griffith, PC in Crockett, TX. **Amy Ryberg** and husband Jonathan Doyle celebrated the birth of their twins in May 2002. Jack and Chelsea Rose are doing well and running them ragged. The couple resides in NYC. **Erica (Waldron) Wynocker** and husband Mason had a babygirl, Isabella, on October 21, 2002. Isabella weighed in at 7lbs, 2 oz and was 19 inches. The family is going great. **Chris Francescani** has been working as a journalist at the *Daily News* in NYC and lives in Brooklyn. **Trevor Smith** is a partner at a law firm in Louisville, KY. **Marcus Connor** is a lawyer in Detroit, MI. **Steve Bellotti** is practicing law in Washington, DC. **John Hunt** is an ER physician at Southampton Hospital, NY. He married Claudia last fall. Chris Francescani was his best man. **Cynthia Xenakis** recently graduated from medical school and will be starting her residency at St. Vincent's Hospital in NYC in anesthesiology. Congratulations to third grade teacher **Michael Stanton**, who was awarded the prestigious Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award for his dedication and motivation in the classroom. The awards ceremony was held on

October 11, 2002 and attended by acting Governor Jane Swift, as well as Michael's wife, Marybeth, and his two children, Matthew and Allyson. Ralph Talbot School principal Garry Pelletier said the following of Michael "He is dedicated to the profession. He is tremendously respected by his colleagues and members of the community and will be an outstanding leader in the future." Lowell and Michael Milken set up the foundation in 1982 to support education and health care nationwide. Since its inception, the foundation has awarded \$47 million to recipients.

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**Marco Pace** and **Maria Pace (Lukacs)** welcomed a beautiful baby boy, Evan, into their lives on September 16, 2001! **Meghan Houlihan Vaillancourt** and husband Kevin had a baby boy, Carter Russell, on July 10. They are currently living in Hudson, OH (Cleveland area) and loving it. Meghan hopes to see many friends at the reunion in May and always would love to hear from old friends (meghanvail@msn.com). **Heather (Hughes) Marden** recently celebrated her fourth wedding anniversary to Kevin, and their son, Cal, turned one in August. Heather left her pre-school teaching and high school soccer coaching positions to be a stay-at-home Mom. She's currently working on her Master's in early childhood education. **Elizabeth (Dees) Tango** and **Robert V. Tango, Jr.** had a winter wedding on December 15, 2001 in Pittsburgh, PA. The holiday nuptials were held at the gothic-style, Heinz Memorial Chapel on the campus of the University of Pittsburgh, followed by a reception at the Pittsburgh Athletic Association. **Heather (Martin) Torok**, **Paul McDonnell**, and **Michael Minella** were members of the wedding party. Fellow classmates and alumnae in attendance were **Rebecca (Carme) Sabre**, **Paula (Piccolo) Minella**, **Scott Adler** and **Laura Bradanini**. Liz and Rob spent their honeymoon in Italy, and live in Chicago, IL. Rob is a senior equity research analyst with William Blair and Co., a Chicago-based investment banking firm, and Liz is associate counsel for Looking Glass Networks, Inc., a telecommunications company. **Stacy Eberlein** married Todd Meyer on September 28 in Park City, UT. BC classmates included **Kelly (Moran) Heath** (bridesmaid), **Ali Gianinno**, **Erin McElroy-Barker**, **Doug Barker '94** and **Michael Haggerty**. Todd and Stacy are now living in Marblehead. Delaney Lynn McGann was born on July 30, 2002 in Winchester to the proud parents of **Kerrie (Donovan)** and **Paul McGann**. In true BC



fashion, Delaney has already been to three BC football games and tailgates! **Michael Garnsey** and wife Michelle had a baby girl on October 22, 2002! Baby and mom are doing great. **Roshini Rajkumar** left the CBS affiliate in Nashville and joined WFTC in Minneapolis as a general assignment reporter in October 2002. She's excited to be back in her hometown and part of the BC MN Club again. **Roshini** also wanted to wish **Sharon Grazioso** a happy first year wedding anniversary (November 4). **Kathleen M. Krygier** was married on October 6 to Kevin Dunn. She is still practicing law at the firm of Knott and Knott. Kevin and Kathleen reside in Fairfield, CT. **Ron Pascucci** and **Kristen (Mastroianni) Pascucci** had their second child in February 2002. John Rocco Pascucci joined his big sister, two-year-old Alexa Kristina. Kristen is still working at WCVB Channel-5 as their weekend sports anchor and Ron is working in sales at Bowne of Boston, a financial printing company in South Boston. **Sean Campbell** and wife **Libby (Porter)** are the proud parents of a baby boy, Connor Edward, born on March 16, 2002. Also proud parents are **Tony Schiavo** and wife Rachel. Anthony Schiavo III was born on May 1, 2002 and weighed 6 lbs. 7 oz. **Kelly Wild** married Patrick Lilly on New Year's Eve, December 31, 2002 in Warwick, RI. Kelly is a special education teacher in the Fairfield Public School system in Connecticut where they live. Some of the bridesmaids who were also BC grads included: **Joan (Monahan) Streeter**, **Jacqueline (West) Ondrey**, and Barbara (Barrett) Daly '92. Ten years after their initial meeting at Cheverus, **Kim H. Morrissey** of NYC, and **Tricia Foo-Ying** of St. Paul, MN, reunited for pepper pot at the Foo-Ying family residence in New Jersey. Mr. Foo-Ying prepared pepper pot, a native Guyanese dish. A good time was had by all, proving that ten years and 1200 miles can't dampen a BC friendship. **Stacey Sato** and Kevin Nishina were married in Honolulu, Hawaii on September 14 at the historic Royal Hawaiian Hotel on Waikiki Beach. BC alumni in attendance included **Robert Tyler** and Paul Lee '94). **Erin Cullinane** is currently living in Cambridge and working as director of investment communications at Fidelity Investments in Boston. She recently completed the 2002 Boston Marathon making it her third Boston Marathon and sixth overall. Erin has also been busy serving on the board of directors of the Greater Boston Track Club and learning Turkish at Harvard University! She also tells us of two weddings: **Maryanne Iannetta** married James Lark of New York in Newport, RI on October 5. They are living in Manhattan, where Maryanne works at Ernst and Young. Class of '93 attendees included **Marisol (Guzman) Nicholson** and **Jennifer (Sayer) Ognibene**. **Jennifer Sayer** and **Paul Ognibene** married in July at Harvard's

Loeb House. They are living in Cambridge. Paul was recently the campaign manager for Massachusetts' State Treasurer candidate Bruce Herzfelder and Jen is currently working at Staples in Framingham.

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Hello, everyone. Thank you for all the updates. It is a wonderful surprise each time I open up my e-mail and see another message from the Class of 1994. Keep them coming! There has been quite a baby boom in our class recently. **David and Shelly (Pendergrass) Sullivan** of Dartmouth, and their three-year-old daughter, Skyler, welcomed a baby boy, Trey, to the family in January 2002. **Ryan Thompson** and his wife, Charla, had a son, Henry Wyatt, in June 2002. "It's a girl!" for **Brian Scott** and his wife, Andrea, who live in West Chester, PA. Their daughter, Anne Bernadette, was born in July 2002. **Kristen (Nystrom) Mellitt** and her husband, Dan, are new parents to Brendan William, who celebrated his first birthday this past November. Kristen, who lives in Norfolk, recently left college publishing to work from home as a freelance editor. **Mike Heraty** and his wife, Cece, who live in New York City, welcomed their first child, Liam, in November. My old next door neighbor from Mod 2B, **Carolyn (McKenna) Enestvedt**, and her husband, Will, welcomed Owen Michael to their family in June 2002. Owen joins his three-year-old sister, Colleen. **Chris Greco** and **Bob Shea** are apparently taking roommate bonding to a new level! Chris and Kristina (Torrise) Greco of Plano, TX, welcomed baby Jonathan Christopher in July 2002. He joins big brother Nicholas, who will be three in February. Now get this: Bob and his wife, Louise, also had a baby in July, Hannah Wendy, who joins big brother Jack, who will be three in March. Apparently Bob and Chris's first sons are nine days apart and their second babies are four days apart, and the Greco and Shea families take summer vacations together every year! Now, they haven't started synchronizing their children yet, but former roommates **Nancy Drane**, **Deb (Nugent) Lussier**, **Erin (Miller) Spaulding** and **Shireen (Pesez) Rhoades** synchronized their feet at the Manchester, CT Road Race, a five-mile race held on Thanksgiving Day. **Liza (Makowski) Hayes** has just finished her PhD at Harvard School of Public Health in molecular biology. She plans to do a short post-doctoral fellowship while her husband finishes his oncology training, before moving to the Chapel Hill, NC area. **Cherie Benoit** of Barre was married in April 2001 to Joshua Smith, and the couple welcomed Cedulie Grace Benoit-Smith to their family one year later.

**Regine Webster** married Todd Fryling in May 2002 in Tucson, AZ. In attendance were classmates **Lisl Mayer** and **Olga Berwid**. Regine and Todd live in Washington, DC, where Regine is attending graduate school at Georgetown's School of Foreign Service. Regine was also kind enough to send word of **Lisl (Mayer) Heiden**'s recent marriage to Mike Heiden in October 2002 in Austin, TX. Both Lisl and Mike are middle school math teachers in Austin. Lisl's maid of honor was classmate **Meredith Render**, and Regine was a bridesmaid. **Tiffany Back** sent word that she married Rob Hammerton in March 2002. Many BC grads were in attendance, including **Tania (Giambro) Monahan**, and **Jerry and Kerri (Yunker) Sullivan**. Tiffany is in her third year teaching fifth grade in Shrewsbury. She and her husband live in Brighton. (She just can't get away from BC!) **Mridu (Nagrath) Parikh** married Viraj Parikh in October 2002 in New York City. Mridu reports that she and Viraj were engaged two months after meeting and then married three months later. (She assures us, however, that it wasn't a shotgun wedding!) Mridu and Viraj had over five-hundred family and friends in attendance, including former roommate **Theresa (Hunt) Arias**. Mridu lives in Manhattan, where she works for Digitas, a strategic marketing firm. Again, thanks so much for all the news! Please send more messages my way, and I'll be sure to include them in the next issue.

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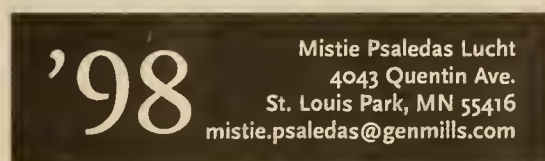
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Lots of wonderful news to share. **Michael J. Bianco** and Danielle M. LoVuolo, were married at St. Patrick's Church in Watertown on October 6, 2002. Among the many BC alumni who joined in the celebration were groomsmen **Kevin Cronin**, Steve Braid '00, and Ed Fruscella '96 with wife Lisa (Wadland) '96, as well as bridesmaid Maria (DeLauri) Silletti '96 with husband Peter '93. On April 13, 2002, **Tyese Maggio** married Jay Aldrich, a 1995 graduate of Maine Maritime Academy. The ceremony was in Winthrop followed by a reception in Boston. **Erika Peterson** served as the maid of honor and **Theodora Triantafilopoulos** was a bridesmaid. **Brooke Henry** read a reading from the *Song of Songs* at the ceremony. Other BC classmates in attendance were



**Mike and Michele (Cirrone) Farrell, Mindy McSherry, Lisa (Antolini) Millerick, Kimberly Mills, Megan O'Rourke, Alison (Shurina) Palmer** and **Corin Murphy '99**. Following a honeymoon to Italy, Tyese and Jay returned to East Boston, where they now reside. She is a registered nurse at Massachusetts General Hospital and he is a cell culture supervisor for Biogen, Inc. **Kristin Groos** has moved to San Francisco after living in Kenya, where she helped to open Kenya Community Center for Learning (KCCL). KCCL opened in 2001 as the first school in East Africa to serve youth between the ages of ten-to-eighteen with significant learning disabilities. Kristin's e-mail is [kspecs@swiftkenya.com](mailto:kspecs@swiftkenya.com). After visiting Kristin in Kenya last year, **Shannon Foley** was offered a position with Ker and Downey Safari Company. Shannon has moved to Kenya for ten months to live the safari life in order to market and sell them to the United States and beyond ([foleyshannon@hotmail.com](mailto:foleyshannon@hotmail.com)). **Stephanie Loranger** finished her PhD in molecular cell biology at Washington University in St. Louis. She is currently living in Washington, DC and working as a scientific consultant. On October 18, **Sarah (Pitts) Davenport** gave birth to her second child, a little girl, Hannah McCay Davenport; she was 9 pounds, 9.4 ounces and 22 inches long. Her first son, Charlie, will be three in February 2003. She and her husband, Kelley, just celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary in August. Sarah works in the Atlanta office of Clear Channel Radio Sales as an office coordinator. **Peter Hustis** and **Tiffany Wilchek** were married on September 20, 2002 in Mystic, CT. Numerous BC Alumni from multiple class years were in attendance. Bridesmaids were **Kathy Clancy '98, Andrea Cosgrove, Heidi Elliott** and **Ann-Marie Willitts**. Groomsmen included **Keith Duffy, Peter Lyons, Brian Moreland** and **Jesse Peterson**. Also, our five-year-old ring bearer, Austin Johnson, may be a future Eagle. He is the son of Amy (Horton) Johnson '88. The wedding and reception were a great time had by all. Groomsmen Keith Duffy surprised the crowd when he entered the reception playing the bagpipes and brought the BC crowd to their feet to sing along on a perfect rendition of "For Boston." After the wedding, the couple enjoyed a relaxing two-week honeymoon to San Francisco, Kauai and Maui. Every year **Kevin Penwell** runs a golf tournament in memory of Peter "Sonny" Nicktakakis '98, a Boston College baseball player who died of Hodgkin's Disease three years ago. This year's tournament was held at Bay Pointe Country Club on Cape Cod and over 120 people participated, including a host of BC graduates and ex-baseball players, and \$12,000 was raised for a BC baseball scholarship set up in Nicktakakis' name. This year, the tourney was won by Kevin Plavan, Ken Richardson, Marc Mingoelli, and Ernie Alfano (all class of '98), and the first ever tournament

hole-in-one was had by **Ben Fasier**. The tournament next year will be held on October 28. Anyone interested in participating can contact Kevin ([Kevin\\_Penwell@Gillette.com](mailto:Kevin_Penwell@Gillette.com)). **Ashleigh E. Aitken-Penn** graduated from USC law school in May, and sat for the bar exam in July. Two weeks later (August 10, 2002), she married Michael Penn, a local California boy. Their mutual hairdresser set them up. Michael is in his second year of law school at Chapman University. **Melissa Sullivan** was a bridesmaid, and **Kelly (Cook)** and **Matt Gordon** attended, along with **Erin (Prendergast) Tetrault, Julie Buszuwski**, and **Gail Reinalda**. After the honeymoon in Hawaii, Ashleigh started in the litigation department of Nossaman, Guthner, Knox & Elliott in the Orange County office. **Aileen Simitis** and **Kevin Breen** were married July 13 at St. Ignatious at BC. Alums in the wedding party included: **Pat Farmer, Brad Christianson, Meredith Byrne** and **Norah Breen '02**. Other alums in attendance were: **Laura Paczosa, Michelle Kenney, Jessica Jacobs Enstice, Jim Dowden, Brian Belton** and **Ben Fasier**. After a honeymoon in Bermuda, the newlyweds returned to Boston, where they live. **Cheryl (O'Connell) George** was married to long-time high school boyfriend Chris George on August 10, 2002 in Massachusetts. They had an incredible honeymoon in Maui and San Francisco, and recently bought a house in Hanson. Cheryl is a buyer for Filene's department store, where she's been since graduation, and Chris works for Wellington Management in Boston. Their wedding party included bridesmaids **Tracy Geisinger, Tricia Blake, Tara (Olson) Armstrong '96**, and groomsmen **Graham Shalgian '96**. BC Alumni in attendance were **Dan Cromack, Geoff Gold, Jen Gold '96, Audrey (Pepin) Elliott, Becky (Zisblatt) Sanford, Stephanie (Schoen) Range, Karen Charles, Carolyn Bizri, Mike Byrne**, and **Sharif Okasha '01**. **Amy (Beneway) Feeley** was married on August 10, 2002 to Lon Feeley. They met when Lon moved in next door to Amy and asked her for a cup of sugar; it was love at first sight. The couple eloped at Fort Drum, New York in front of the 972nd Military Police Company, which is his National Guard Unit. They had a beautiful ceremony but short-lived honeymoon; Lon was sent overseas the next day.



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Hello Class of 1998! Reminder—our reunion is May 30–June 1. Watch for reunion information and events from the reunion committee; we have been working hard. Here is a thanks to those on

the committee: **Karen Casey, Josephine Sciarrino, Chrissy Matava, Allison Campell, Colleen McGuire, Amanda Abresche, Gina McCreddie, Jennifer Rooney** (our treasurer), **Holly Canevari** and **Coli McMahon**. **Frank Paone** is with Lord Abbett and he's covering CT and RI as Regional Manager. Currently, he is living in Fairfield, CT. **Matthew Harrison** and his wife, **Jennifer Pish Harrison**, had a baby. Her name is Paige Susannah Harrison, named after the late Susannah Kilmer, class of 1998, who was Jenn's best friend at BC. **Ryan Bremner** was recently awarded a Fulbright to go to Germany. He'll be studying mostly philosophy and some psychology in Bonn for at least the next year. **Bill Giesen** is living in Herndon, VA with his girlfriend. After an exciting summer of traveling in Europe, building houses in Ecuador, and then backpacking and sightseeing in Alaska, **Alison Curd** has finally arrived in Chicago and gotten all settled into her new place in Evanston, where she will be attending Kellogg. **Cindy Beyer** participated in The Face of America bike ride that began on September 20 at ground zero and ended on September 22 at the Pentagon. The ride was a tribute to those who were killed in the events of September 11. She rode with pictures of four people on her back, including **Bryan Bennett**, whom she remembered on behalf of Boston College 1998. Cindy was interviewed by a reporter from the *Baltimore Sun*. This is the second major bike ride she has done this year. She completed the California AIDSride (riding 575 miles from San Francisco to LA over 7 days) this past June. **Johnna Barry** is the director of Membership for the Alumni Club in Boston. Please contact him if you'd like to learn about our club. **Jennifer Sherwood** works for CBS News *60 Minutes*. **Bob Airasian** works for American Express Financial Advisors in Brighton. There are many weddings to announce—congrats to all! **Tricia Campbell** was married on October 12, 2002 in Massapequa, NY, to Raymond Andrew Bailey. **Carrie (Sbrolla) Thomas** was the matron of honor. Other in attendance were **Brian Thomas, Wendy (Prygoda) Weston, Erin Kelley, Kevin Fleck, Pete Gerken, Gretchen Hersey, Chris Miller, Lori Lefevre '97, Jeff Wells '00**, and **Amy Gunderson '97**. **Carrie Sbrolla** and **Brian Thomas** were married on May 18, 2002 in Carrie's hometown of Old Saybrook, CT. BC folks in the wedding party were **Tricia Campbell, Carolyn (Homer) Craven, Erin Kelley, Wendy (Prygoda) Weston, Jim Gruber, Karl Kemp, John Craven, Kurt Hawks, Amy Sbrolla '94**, and **Jennifer Thomas '00**. **Andrew Leeds** married Jennifer Reilly (Babson '98) in April after Andrew returned from Uzbekistan supporting Operating Enduring Freedom with the 10th Mountain Division. BC grads in attendance included **Alicia Doble, Kristen Reilly '00, Mark Midura, Michael Terry** and his girlfriend, **Erin, Monique**



(Williams) **Hankinson, Paul Dominski, Brian Donahue, Karlen (Stanziale) Shupp, Rob Kroggle, Nicole (Traficante) Cunneen '96** and many others. **Valerie Pellegrini** married Thomas Clark on August 24, 2002. **Kelly Welch** was the maid of honor and **AnnMarie DiBiasie, Clare DiBiasie, and Carrie Cunniff** were bridesmaids. The ceremony was at Saint Ignatius Church followed by the reception at the Seaport Hotel. BC '98 grads in attendance were: **Liz Monaghan, Cheryl Sandison, Leanne Little, Lisa (Cancilla) McCormack, Kate Cunningham, Kristi Dailey, Chrissy Torchen, Kate Nolan, Linda Groszyk, Maureen Maloney, Nick Schwab, Matt Reid, Ian Cross, and Jen (Rechichar) Killer '97.** Valerie and Thomas honeymooned in St. Lucia and live in Beacon Hill. Both of them work for Accenture (where they met). **Jessica (Passaretti) Kemp** was married on July 27 to **Karl Kemp** at St. Ignatius. The reception was downtown at the Tremont Hotel. Alumni in the bridal party included **Gretchen Hersey, Erin Kelley, Wendy (Prygoda) Weston, John Craven, Brian Thomas** and Jim Kemp '01. Steve Hawthorne '97 sang at the ceremony. Other alumni in attendance included **Carrie (Sbrolla) Thomas, Carolyn (Homer) Craven, Tricia Campbell, Kurt Hawks, Kim (Field) Hawks** and Rick Staropoli '96. Jessica Downey '01 married **Ted Moore** on August 24, 2002 in Edgartown on Martha's Vineyard—they met while attending Tulane Law School. After a honeymoon in Fiji, they'll be working as attorneys and living in Houston, TX. **Dean Bell** got married October 5, 2002 to Jonna Mesimaki. He is still at KPMG LLP in Stamford, CT. I was also married on October 12 in Litchfield, NH and spent two weeks in Italy for my honeymoon. I met my husband at General Mills, where we both currently work in Minneapolis. **Jocelyn Cavanna, Charise Rohm, Josephine Sciarrino, Mary Pat Lancelotta and Jeanette O'Malley** were in my wedding. Others who attended were **Mary (Kenda) and Joe Allen, Dawn Krieger, Michelle Breitman, Lisa Byank, Emily Sherman, Kathryn Edison, Laura Kavanagh, Jen Coyle** and her fiancé and **Erin Ryan.**

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Hello Class of '99. I hope you all had a wonderful and safe holiday. Thank you to all who have contacted me with news and updates on your lives. Please keep the e-mails coming. And now to the news ... To start off the wedding announcements, my long-time girlfriend, Laura Thompson '97 and I were married on September 2 in Deerfield. There were many BC alums in attendance, spanning many graduation classes. Laura and I traveled to Hawaii for

our honeymoon and presently are living in Brookline. **Whitney Wise** married Simon Lloyd in July. **Karen Tsacalis, Liz Moon, Steph Verenis, and Cathy Tucker** were all bridesmaids. **Melissa Mabey** was married October 5, 2002 at Trinity Chapel to Jim McLaughlin. **Anisha Chablani '98** and **Katy Kelly '98** were bridesmaids. The couple traveled to Ireland for their honeymoon and presently lives in South Boston. **Lindsey Higgs** married Justin Sodano in October 2002. Lindsey is working at AMR Research in Boston as a research analyst, alongside lots of other BC grads. **Jonathan Graziano** and **Erin Quinn** were married in York, Maine on July 27. Sarah Becherer was one of Erin's bridesmaids and Robert Lafferty '97 was one of Jon's groomsmen. Several BC grads were in attendance. Jon is presently working at Ionics in Watertown, while Erin is teaching third grade in Hopkinton and working on her Master's degree in special education at BC. Jon and Erin reside in Marlborough, Massachusetts. **Mike Licata** married **Liz Pizzorno** on September 21 in East Hampton, NY. **Eileen Lynch, Rob Carley and Brian Nigborowicz** were all members of the wedding party. On August 20th, 2002 **Alaina (Devasto) King** gave birth to Matthew James King, 7 pounds, 4 ounces. Alaina, her husband and new baby all are very healthy and are living in Southern California. On November 15, the first of what is planned to be a wonderful annual event was held. **Matt O'Keefe, Justin Patnode, John Howells, George Leuchs, Scott Dunn, and Ben Gird** organized an event at Who's On First in Boston to benefit the Welles R. Crowther Charitable Trust, which was established after Welles Crowther's death on September 11, 2001. A sellout crowd of over five-hundred BC alumni and friends were in attendance, and \$7000 was raised for the charity. Welles's parents, Allison and Jefferson are ecstatic about the donation and would like to thank everyone who attended and donated to the event. The organizers are planning to make this an annual event and next year's Who's fundraiser is planned to be held on October 24, the Friday night before the BC-ND football game. For more information contact Matt O'Keefe or check back here in future Class Notes. Congratulations to **Kate Sandman** and **Mike Sheehan** for recently passing the bar and securing jobs in the legal world. Finally, yes that was **Lenny Scarola** you might have seen on the *Oprah Winfrey Show*. Oprah featured the Scarola family on one of her shows after randomly selecting Lenny's mom out of the audience in a special show, which demonstrated that everyone has a special life story to tell. That is all for now. Please keep the e-mails coming and I look forward to hearing from more of you. Take care.

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Hello, Class of 2000! **Megs Croke** completed her first marathon recently, raising funds for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Megs finished with one of the top times for her age category in this Hawaii marathon. Also running the distance, **Saya Hillman** completed her second marathon in Chicago. Cheering her along on the route was **Katie Pyrek**. Congratulations to **Jennifer Rath** and **Joseph Caggiano**, who were married on June 8, 2002 in Totowa, NJ. Laura Rath '03 served as the maid of honor. Fellow classmates in attendance included: **Kate McKee Boggs, Robin Berghaus, Justin Boggs, Katie Fienup, Debbie Fish, Chris Franklin, Allison Hart, Brian Head, Joan King, Jennifer Kolloff, and Maggie Gould.** Jen and Joe are currently residing in northern New Jersey. Jen works at a market research firm in New Jersey as a project director. Also married this summer was **Anne Subourne**. Anne married Brian Trinquet on August 31, 2002 in Rhode Island. **Mary Horner, Megan Humphreys, and Ashley Nelson** were in the wedding party. In addition, fellow classmates **Dan Hagan, Alicia Marzullo, Susan Espinosa, Megan Schiller and Amanda Bernhard** attended. Currently, Anne is in her last year of law school at the University of Texas and plans to relocate back to Boston this summer. **Lori Piscatelli** and **Sean Scanlon** were married on November 2, 2002 at the Trinity Chapel on Newton Campus. Classmates sharing in the day included: **Kate McCorry, Megan Purcell Bunting, Saya Hillman, and Kerry Gillin.** As always, thanks for the great news and keep it coming!

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It is with great sadness that I relate to you the death of our fellow classmate **Emily R. Murphy**. Emily died suddenly in a motor vehicle accident on Saturday, November 2, 2002 in Washington, DC. Emily graduated cum laude, earning a bachelor of science in biology. Donations can be made in Emily's memory to either Friends of the Library, Bucks County Library, 150 South Pine Street, Doylestown, PA 18901 or The Aark Wildlife Rehabilitation and Education Center, 107 Twining Bridge Road, Newtown, PA 18940. Our thoughts and prayers are with Emily's family and friends during this difficult time.



## CARROLL SCHOOL

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Congratulations to the following M.S.F. alumni on being awarded the C.F.A. designation: **John Blood '03, Matthew Fallon '03, Ricardo Hilado '01, Wenpeng Zhao '00, Scott O'Reilly '99, Michael Murphy '99, John Tucker '97, Duo Tang '96, and John Sullivan '94.** What an accomplishment! • **Jonathan Cressy M.B.A. '02** accepted a position in November 2002 with Pacific Investment Management Company (PIMCO) in Newport Beach, CA. Jonathan can be reached at: cressy@cox.net. • **Gene McMahon M.B.A. '98** and wife Connie welcomed twin sons Arthur and Elliot into the world on October 24, 2002. • **Amit Chandra M.B.A. '93** was recognized in *Business Today* as one of India's "Hottest Young Executives." Amit is an executive vice president with DSP Merrill Lynch. • **Calling All Agents!** Are you the person in your class that everyone calls with his or her news? Would you like to know what everyone in your class is doing? As a Class Agent, you can help the school by collecting information about exciting career and personal events in your classmates' lives. Contact the Alumni Relations Office at 617-552-4479 or gsom.alumni@bc.edu and volunteer to be a Class Agent. We would like at least one Agent for every class.

## WCAS

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**Jill McGillen '80** has started a business, Next Turn, coaching and training in career development. Formerly a successful professional working in a major corporation developing and facilitating training programs, Jill combines a knowledge-based practical approach with a commitment to her client's professional growth. She has successfully completed leadership training and was nominated for the President's Awards in Leadership and Outstanding Community Service by her previous employer. Currently, Jill is in the process of receiving national certification as a career development facilitator. Good luck, Jill, in your new business. • Received a note from **Scott**

Do you know who elects  
the Alumni Association  
Board of Directors?

YOU DO

See page 33 for the current slate of candidates and watch the mail for your ballot. You may also vote online at [www.bc.edu/vote](http://www.bc.edu/vote).

**Mitchell '96**, who shared with me how proud he was to have pursued an academic degree while working full time. Scott and his wife, LeAnn, are the proud and blessed parents of a girl they named Kaitlyn Elizabeth. Kaitlyn came into the world weighing nine pounds and was twenty-one inches long. Congratulations, Scott and LeAnn. **Tina O'Rourke '93** was the lucky winner of a drawing for the fall 2002 BC-Notre Dame football game in Indiana. Tina was able to bring another person with her to the game and she made the right choice in bringing her mother, who was born in Indiana. They had a wonderful weekend. Saw Paul Goodrich JD '68 and his wife, Dorothy, at a family gathering to celebrate a christening for his great niece and my cousin Hope Ann LeClair. Paul and some of his classmates recently had an informal class reunion and they had an enjoyable time. Happy, healthy, and holy New Year, and drop me a note if you have any news. Thank you.

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**Anton C. Vrame Ph.D. '97** has accepted the position of director of the Patriarch Athenagoras Orthodox Institute, Berkeley, California. • **Robert J. Gerardi DED '80** was called back into service as the superintendent of schools in Coventry, Rhode Island. • **Mary Angela Shaughnessy Ph.D. '85** was named vice president for mission and corporate general counsel at Spalding University. • **Robert DeLuca M.A. '86** was presented with the 2001 Outstanding Educator Award by the University of Florida, Gainesville. • **Jennifer Hull Dorsey M.A. '93** joined the DeSales faculty as a visiting assistant professor of history.

## CONNELL SCHOOL

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**Aileen Killen Ph.D. '98** recently published an article on moral dilemmas for operating room nurses in *Nursing Ethics* and another on morality in perioperative nurses in the *AORN Journal*. Aileen is director of nursing, perioperative services at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York. • **Kimberly A. Christopher Ph.D. '98** recently received a 2002 ONS foundation Oncology Symptom Assessment and Management Nursing Research Grant. • **Stephanie Chalupka M.S. '81**, faculty member at University of Massachusetts-Lowell, recently received the 2002 University Faculty Recognition Award and an Outstanding Teaching Award.

• **Rosemary Theroux M.S. '86** was recently featured as "Reviewer of the Year" by the *Journal of Obstetrical and Gynecologic Nursing*. Rosemary is on the faculty at the University of Lowell. • Two graduates of the Ph.D. program have been selected as the first recipients of the Yvonne Munn Post-Doctoral Nursing Research Fellowships at Massachusetts General Hospital. These awards will provide **Virginia "Ginger" Capasso Ph.D. '00** and **Diane Carroll Ph.D. '93** with time and resources to advance their research and to secure external funding.

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Thank you, once again, to all who have sent updated information. Please continue to send details you would like to share with others, so we may include them in our next column. The more I write this column the more I realize how important it is to stay connected. Our alumni form a community of more than 5,000. We have a lot to share. To keep your address current and to be able to freely network with other alumni, please take advantage of BC's alumni online community. Using any Web browser, you can submit address changes, look up old friends and access other features at [www.bc.edu/alumni](http://www.bc.edu/alumni). **Sherry (Podolsky) Rubin MSW '76** is co-founder and co-director of a non-profit organization called Girl's Star, which was started in 1977. The agency's book was published in August 2002, and the group's facilitator's manual, available to women who train to bring Girls Star Groups to their communities, was published in November 2002. **Barbara Elaine Synhorst MSW '80** passed away on August 18, 2002. Barbara was a proud graduate of Boston College. Upon graduation until 1987, Barbara was a senior program coordinator for the State of Massachusetts and coordinated the development and ongoing operations of community mental health programs. From 1988 through 1991, Barbara was senior LICSW at the health department of Fresno County, California, where she provided individual and group therapy, case management and forensic assessment. From 1991 through 1992, Barbara was a case manager for US Behavioral Health, Inc. At the time of death, Barbara was active in the Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Association of Arizona, where she served on the board of directors. Barbara was a licensed social worker in Massachusetts, California and Arizona.

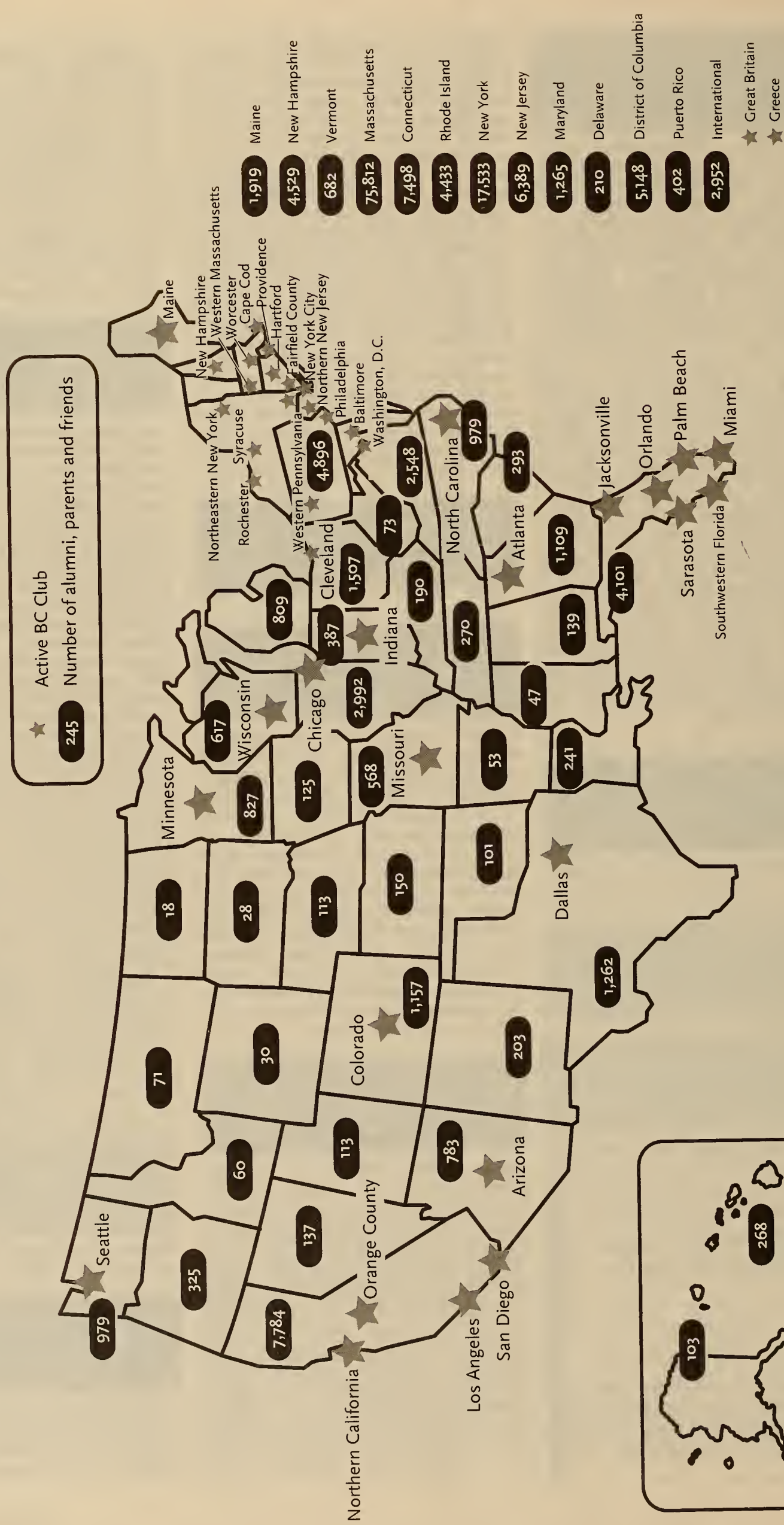
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# BOSTON COLLEGE ALUMNI CLUB SNAPSHOT







## ALUMNI ASSOCIATION CLUB NOTES

Dear friends,

As the northeast continues its winter thaw, our efforts at the Alumni Association continue to heat up. We have enjoyed a busy winter season, filled with exciting club events and ongoing planning for the Second Helping Gala on March 29 and Reunion 2003 in May and June. Looking back over the past few months, I continue to be amazed at the commitment of our alumni involved in club and class efforts throughout the world. My thanks go out to our leaders in San Francisco, New York City and Chicago for their assistance with Father Leahy's visits to discuss his Church in the 21st Century initiative. These events were the highlight of the past few months and have given our alumni a chance to discuss this important issue in greater detail.

I'd also like to highlight the efforts of Roshan Rajkumar '95, Mary Moulton '96 and their team in Minnesota for their efforts in planning their annual networking event, John Sherlock '87 and his committee in Philadelphia for their efforts at the Villanova basketball game, and Kenton Brooks '91, J.D. '94 and his committee in Orange County, California, for their recent networking event. All of these events were well attended and a wonderful success.

Efforts are underway for club kick-offs in Charlotte, North Carolina, and Atlanta, Georgia. Our thanks go out to Christopher Kubala '93 and Karen Begelfer '95 for their assistance. We look forward to great success in these important areas.

As many of you know, Grace and I have had the pleasure of meeting with numerous alumni throughout the country and solicited your thoughts regarding our future efforts. These discussions have provided us with valuable information and insight into the direction of our national club program. We have worked with our staff and volunteers to formulate a blue print for the future. This strategic plan included a request for additional staff devoted to our club goals. I am pleased to announce that we are in the process of hiring these individuals, and we look forward to launching a new national club program in the fall.

This news is no doubt exciting, and we will need your support and assistance in launching the program. Initial steps will involve feedback on new Web-based volunteer tools, new club Web site capability, marketing templates, and a leader handbook. We have also discussed plans for a leader conference to be held on campus in 2003 to kick off this broad undertaking. I look forward to working with our new club team and with you in making this program the success we know it can be.



Best wishes,

Jack Moynihan  
Senior Associate Director



# IN MEMORIAM

**1921**  
Linus M. Callen .....01/78

**1930**  
John F. Dunn .....11/02

**1933**  
John J. Sullivan .....09/02

**1934**  
George F. McLaughlin.....11/02  
Herbert A. Kenny .....03/02

**1935**  
Patrick J. Barrett .....04/02  
Joseph P. Foley.....11/02

**1936**  
Joseph H. Kilion .....12/02  
Louis F. V. Mercier.....06/01

**1937**  
Casper A. Ferguson.....10/02  
Charles F. Ziniti, Jr. ....10/00

**1938**  
James J. Casey, Jr. ....05/02  
Joseph P. Hartigan .....08/97  
Philip P. Perry .....09/02  
Robert E. Curtis .....11/02

**1939**  
James F. Comerford, Jr. .03/02  
Edward C. Foley .....11/02

**1940**  
Lawrence H. Howe .....09/01  
James M. Anderson.....04/02  
George F. Kerrivan.....11/02

**1941**  
Ralph A. Struzziero .....01/02

**1942**  
James F. Doherty .....11/02  
William P. Duggan .....09/02

**1944**  
Francis M. Condon.....07/96  
John A. Delaney .....02/02  
Albert J. Twomey.....02/02

**1945**  
Clifford F. McElroy.....11/02

**1947**  
William H. Finnegan .....12/02

**1948**  
Robert A. Colbert.....12/02  
Leo J. Morgan.....10/02  
Robert M. Ross .....10/00  
John P. Coneys, Jr.....10/02

**1949**  
Daniel F. Leary.....09/02

**1950**  
Charles T. Sexton, Jr.....09/02  
Thomas A. Tierney.....11/02  
Catherine E. Twome.....09/01

John D. Cavanagh .....08/02  
Francis M. Doran .....10/02  
John A. Mullally .....08/02  
Edward H. Burrell .....11/02  
Father John J. Colbert .....11/02  
William F. Connors .....11/02  
Paul K. Sweeney .....12/02

**1951**  
Alfred V. Flynn .....09/02  
Daniel F. Ford .....10/02  
Robert Joseph Hoy.....10/02  
Edward J. Ingram.....04/02  
Richard X. Goggin .....11/02  
Joseph W. Kenney .....03/02  
Robert J. McDuffy .....10/02  
Robert E. Powers .....12/02  
J. Edward Zayne .....10/02  
John F. Taylor, Jr.....08/02

**1952**  
Thomas J. Dolan.....11/02  
John H. Sayers.....09/02  
Robert J. Gallagher. ....09/02  
Henry L. Strom .....11/02

**1953**  
Paul M. O'Keefe.....05/00  
Joseph P. Collins .....12/02  
Paul B. Flaherty .....06/02  
Cornelius J. Ryan.....08/01  
Albert F. Owens.....09/99

**1954**  
Francis G. Murphy .....05/96  
Thomas E. Andrews.....01/86  
Edwin L. Keating, Jr.....07/02

**1955**  
Francis Kaseta .....10/02

**1956**  
Joseph P. Beltrami .....10/02

**1957**  
Sheila E. McGovern.....11/02  
Edward C. Doherty .....08/02  
John P. Finnegan.....09/02  
Norman A. Steele.....10/02  
Kathleen A. Bresnahan...12/02  
Nancy J. Driscoll .....10/02

**1958**  
Paul J. Gerry.....12/02  
Daniel P. Lynch .....09/01  
James H. Sullivan .....07/99  
John F. O'Malley .....10/02

**1959**  
Terence P. Logan.....10/02

**1960**  
Robert W. Flagg .....09/02  
Donald J. Watt .....08/02  
John F. Erwin, Jr.....02/02  
James L. O'Hearn .....10/02  
Bernard C. Victory.....01/00

**1961**  
Kenneth J. Preskenis .....12/02  
Robert Joseph Houle.....11/02

**1962**  
Cornelius S. Coakley.....12/02  
Joel D. Landry .....12/02

**1963**  
Pene Long Harrison.....02/00  
Robert F. Spillane .....11/02  
John A. Bucci.....10/02  
Charles J. Stravin, Jr. ....10/02  
Catherine M. Sullivan....09/02

**1965**  
Daniel F. Toomey.....11/02

**1966**  
Emma L. Thimm Bradley  
10/02  
James W. McLaughlin ...06/00  
Richard F. McGowan.....02/02

**1967**  
Frederick A. Fiumara .....02/97

**1969**  
Catherine L. McCarthy .....8/02  
Thomas K. Zebrowski ....10/02

**1971**  
Linda M. Gebhardt .....04/02  
William B. Redfern .....12/02

**1972**  
Julia-Ann S. Mallonee ....05/02  
Barbara L. Young .....08/02  
Barbara Hayhurst Shanahan  
08/02

**1973**  
Henri T. Gerrit .....10/02  
John W. McCarthy, Jr. ....03/89

**1974**  
Lawrence S. Butler .....12/02  
Janet A. Lewis .....11/00

**1976**  
Nina Elias Bamberger ....11/02

**1978**  
Kathleen T. Willwerth.....11/02

**1984**  
Janet Skehan Dunn .....09/02

**1985**  
Ernest Fortin .....11/02

**2002**  
Emily R. Murphy .....11/02

**GA&S**  
Frederic J. Foley .....12/02  
Bernard R. Laliberte .....12/02  
Jeanne Collins .....02/99  
M. Florita Dolan .....04/87  
Richard J. Mahoney.....10/02  
Paul T. McKenna.....09/79  
Joseph M. Pasquale .....10/02  
Leona B. Cameron .....11/01  
Catherine L. McCarthy...08/02  
Robert J. Ferrante .....06/02

Rosalie Afan .....10/02  
Nathan Bassin .....02/98  
Mary Vincenthea Burke .08/98  
Peter A. Fachetti.....11/02  
Richard E. Hughes.....11/02  
George P. McCrevan, Jr. .08/02  
Anita Poudrier .....09/02  
Dena A. Weinstein .....11/02  
John A. Crowell .....11/02  
Dorothy Walsh .....10/02  
Donald J. Watt .....08/02  
George P. Doonan .....12/02  
G Lee Fisher .....10/02  
Albert Maniff.....12/98  
Janet A. Lewis .....11/00

## LAW

Joseph P. Foley.....11/02  
Leo J. Hessien.....01/02  
Donald P. Wieners.....02/84  
Leonard A. Kelley.....08/02  
Daniel J O'Connell III ....09/02  
Robert J. Gallagher. ....09/02  
Joseph P. Collins. ....12/02  
Thomas K. Zebrowski ....10/02

## CGSOM

Robert Choby .....07/02  
Laurence V. Finn .....06/95  
Robert J. Ferrante .....06/02

## WCAS

M. Ursulita Toomey .....05/98  
Charlotte L. Fallon .....11/02  
Jeanne Collins.....02/99  
M. Florita Dolan .....04/87  
Richard J. Mahoney.....10/02  
Paul T. McKenna.....09/79  
Joseph M. Pasquale .....10/02  
Bernard C. Victory.....01/00

## SW

Nancy J. Driscoll .....10/02  
Carmen Taboada Allen ..02/97  
Rita Krumbein Spetner ..03/02  
Charles F. Reed .....03/01  
Bernard Y. Robert.....11/98  
Ilene D. Bursten .....06/00  
Dorothy F. Rowell .....03/02  
Archbishop Samuel Carter  
09/02  
Friederike Helie.....06/01  
James M. Anderson.....04/02

## Weston

Harry W. Ball .....11/02

In the Fall 2002 issue, Ann Kicin Joy's date of death was incorrectly listed as May 2001. The listing should have read May 2002. We sincerely apologize for this error.

*The In Memoriam is provided courtesy of the Office of Development, More Hall, 140 Commonwealth Ave., Chestnut Hill, MA 02467.*





# BOSTON COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2003–04 ELECTION

On the following pages, you will see the names, faces and brief biographies of the candidates for the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association. On behalf of the nominating committee that put this slate together and the candidates who have all offered their time and talent, we urge you to take a minute to cast your vote. Your ballot will be coming to you in the mail very soon. Just like last year, you will be able to vote either by returning that ballot in the mail or by using the online ballot at [www.bc.edu/vote](http://www.bc.edu/vote). We urge you to do so.

Too often alumni don't take advantage of the opportunity to cast their ballot in this important election. Recent elections have seen only about 5,000 votes cast, out of over 130,000 eligible alumni. A turnout of that nature presents an obvious opportunity for your vote to make a real difference.

Perhaps you are a member of an anniversary class, belong to a BC club in your area, played a sport or were member of a particular organization during your years on campus. It is likely that you share one of these interests or characteristics with one or more of the candidates—why not show your support to that candidate by casting your vote today. Every alumna/us who casts a vote will be entered for a chance to win two round-trip airline tickets to anywhere in the continental U.S. Nominees, board members, employees of Boston College and their families are not eligible for the drawing.

The Alumni Association is facing a number of issues in the years ahead as it seeks to serve an ever-growing and ever-expanding alumni population. There is a great need to bring the best alumni possible onto the board. But that can only be done with your vote. If you don't vote, you will be leaving the decisions of the next few years in the hands of others.

Show your support for your candidates and for the association by casting your vote.

Dennis "Razz" Berry '70, J.D. '73  
Chairman, Nominating Committee

Brian Kickham '79  
Chairman-elect, Nominating Committee



## VICE PRESIDENT/PRESIDENT-ELECT

Each candidate was asked to answer the following question: "How can the University best engage all alumni to better serve the goals of Boston College?"



CHARLES L.  
D'AMOUR '74

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Executive Vice President,  
Big Y Supermarkets*

*Our alumni represent a community and resource for Boston College. As such, maintaining a high level of communications can help our alumni feel the continuing bond with Boston College. The Boston College Magazine, the BC Web site and various alumni gatherings foster outreach and feedback about issues with the University that concern alumni.*

- Chair, Massachusetts Food Association; Chair, Connecticut Food Association; Connecticut Food Association Man of the Year Award; Chair, Westover Metropolitan Development Corporation and Westover Municipal Airport; Board member, Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice of Western Massachusetts; Board member, Springfield Symphony Orchestra; Board member, Community Music School; Chair, educational commission, parish council, St. Mary's Church, Longmeadow, MA

- Husband of Elizabeth Anne (Manning) D'Amour '74; father of Emily Jeanne D'Amour '04 (expected)



CHRISTOPHER "KIP"  
DORAN '68

*Denver, CO  
Physician*

*Having become a university of international prominence, we now have the opportunity to further recognize the geographical and cultural diversity of our graduates. By engaging alumni groups through Internet technology and targeted Boston College activities at regional BC Clubs, we can improve university connections locally, around the country and globe.*

- Boston College Alumni Association Board of Directors, treasurer, 2002–03, secretary, 2001–02, director, west of the Mississippi, 1997–99; Founder and coordinator, EagleDocs; Boston College Physician Alumni Group, 1998–present; Boston College Club of Colorado, president, 1999–present, vice president 1994–99; Boston College Alumni Admission Volunteer, 1991–present; Host, Boston College Freshman Send-off from Colorado, 1992–present; FIDES Member, 1988–present
- Associate clinical professor of psychiatry, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center; University of Birmingham, England, visiting faculty; United States Departments of Health and Human Services, and Veteran's Affairs, consultant; American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, fellow; International Association of Approved Basketball Officials, certified basketball referee; Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado, trail building staff
- Husband of Maureen O'Keefe Doran '69; father of Alison '00 and Meghan '03 (expected)



JOANNE Y.  
JAXTIMER NC '75

*Milton, MA  
First Vice President and  
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Mellon New England/Mellon  
Financial Corp.*

*Engage BC alumni by speaking to the personal values and social causes that alumni care about most deeply. When BC makes graduates feel the University is championing the things they believe in—whether church reform or women's rights—then alumni form a connection to BC not easily broken. When sustained, these connections become lifetime bonds.*

- Member, Mayor Thomas Menino's transition committee, public safety task force; Vice chairman, board of directors, Boston Municipal Research Bureau; Board member, Massachusetts Taxpayers Association; Board member, Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce; Board member, Massachusetts Institute for a New Commonwealth (MassINC); Board member, The Partnership; Board member, National Conference for Community and Justice
- Committee to End Elder Homelessness, member; YWCA, member; selected to join the Academy of Women Achievers, class of 2001
- Wife of Michael Barry; mother of Michael, age eight

If you have questions or comments regarding the Board of Directors election or nomination process contact us at:

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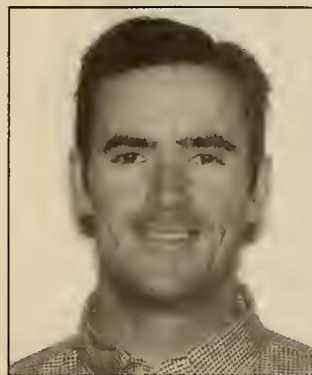


DAVID A.  
COOPER '73, J.D. '76

Charlestown, RI  
Attorney, Cooper Law  
Associates

*I believe that the best way to insure that all alumni of Boston College participate in the events sponsored at the University is to make sure that the Alumni Association follows a policy of complete inclusiveness. Events that are planned for different classes of the University should ensure that they provide either entertainment and/or activities that reflect the diverse University that Boston College has now become.*

- University Admissions Committee, member; Law School Admissions Committee, member
- Member, Rhode Island and Massachusetts Bar Association; Admitted to practice in the U.S. District Court for the District Courts of Rhode Island and Massachusetts, the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals of the First Circuit; Served as president, Black Lawyers Association, Rhode Island; John Hope Settlement House of the City of Providence, member; Recipient of Honorable David A. Nelson Award for Leadership and Commitment to Justice and Unparalleled Support of Boston College and the Alumni Community
- Father of Rachael, Rebecca, David and Laura Cooper



J.B. DOWD '90

Needham, MA  
CRA, Boston Scientific  
Corporation

*Every BC graduate has a talent that can add value to Boston College. All active members of the University, from the administration to involved alumni, should engage those not yet fully involved to uncover these unique talents. This effort can only be effective if done on a personal level.*

- Alumni Association Board of Directors, 1999–2001, director, graduated less than ten years, member, nominating committee; Class of 1990 tenth reunion committee member; Annual Second Helping Gala, co-chair, 2002, auction, co-chair, 1999–2001; Member, Young Alumni Club of Boston, 1997–present; Member, BC Club of Rochester, NY, 1995–1997; Member, BC Career Advisory Network; Senior Consilium Program alumni volunteer, 2003; Mentor, Future Alumni Student Association, 2000–01; Founding member, Boston College Club 1998–present
- First Night, Boston Associates Board, 1999–present, member; Boston Scientific Foundation ECT, 2002–present, founding board member; Not Quite First Night Benefit, 1999, co-chair, 2000–02, committee member; Party for a Plate Committee, 1997–99; Rebuilding Together Boston volunteer, 1999–2002; First Night Neighborhood Network benefit event volunteer, 1999–present; St. Bartholomew's Parish, Needham, MA, member



SUSAN POWER  
GALLAGHER NC '69

Belmont, MA  
Vice President, Administration  
and Human Resources, Jolinson  
O'Hare Company, Inc.

*The Alumni Association should continue to sponsor spiritual, social, cultural and business events that will interest alumni/ae of Boston College and Newton College both locally and nationally. Encouraging the growth and organization of national and international clubs is essential. We need to promote the use of the online community and gather more email address to enable more immediate communication with those alumni who have access to the Internet, while not forgetting those alumni who do not. All associated with Boston College have benefited as BC has grown in prominence. The ongoing initiative of The Church in the 21st Century has been a gift to everyone and is a perfect example of the University's outreach.*

- Boston College Alumni Association Board of Directors, executive committee, 2002–03; secretary, 2002–03; director, Newton College, 2000–02; Member, by-laws Committee, 2000–present; Board Representative to Student Alumni Council 2001–02; Nominating Committee member, 2000–01; New Board Orientation Committee member, 2001–02; Mentor, Boston College Task Force on Women-Connections Program, 2001–02; Former Newton College Class Correspondent, twenty years; Class Organizer for the 10th, 15th, 25th and 30th reunions; Fundraising for Newton College Professorship for the Study of Western Culture
- Volunteers Committee and Speakers Program, New England Organ Bank; House parent for Underwood House dormitory, Belmont Hill School; Past president and past board member of Youth Hockey program; Organizing committees for educational fundraising events; Eucharistic minister, St. Peter's, Cambridge; Former Pre-Cana advisor and CCD instructor, St. Joseph's, Belmont
- Wife of Edward M. Gallagher III; mother of Edward IV, Mary, Timothy '00

## SECRETARY



DAVID A. EMMA '91

Naples, FL  
Financial Advisor, Merrill Lynch

*At the core of any successful organization, private or otherwise, is effective communication. By improving our web-based capabilities and by further developing our regional clubs and our relationships with their leaders, more and more alumni will embrace the Boston College message. I would also encourage the University to develop a platform for highlighting successful Boston College alumni through various media and marketing materials and utilize this vital advocacy group to foster growth at our great institution.*

- Member, Boston College Alumni Club in Naples, Florida; Member, Pikes Peak Hockey Club
- United States Olympian 1992; Professional Hockey Player 1991–2001; Hobey Baker Award 1991; Retired Jersey #16 Boston College; Three Time All-American and All Time Leading Scorer at Boston College; Boston College Eagle of the Year Award 1991; Member of the Hockey East 1990's All Decade Team; Ideal Cranstonian Award—A Role Model for Youth 1991
- USA Hockey, Two World Junior Championships 1987–89; Two World Championships 1991 and 1999; Pravda Cup 1989; Most Valuable Player, Goodwill Games 1990; New England District Player of the Year 1990–91; Boston College, one NCAA Final Four Appearance 1990, three NCAA Appearances 1988–91, Hockey East All-Freshman Team 1987; three All Hockey East Teams 1988–91; Founded, created, and implemented NHL Stars Event for Ronald McDonald House (raised over \$50,000.00); Volunteered to administer athletic events for Special Olympics
- Husband of Jacqueline, age nine; father of Alexandra, age five, and Victoria, age three



## NOMINATING CHAIR-ELECT



KATHLEEN  
DONOVAN GOUDIE '56

*Petersham, MA  
Educator, Athol-Royalston  
Middle School*

*Boston College can best engage our alumni by continuing to offer spiritual, cultural, athletic, and academic activities that will enrich the quality of life for our BC community. Effective communication highlighting these events will encourage continued active participation by the alumni in the Boston College family.*

- Director, Boston College Alumni Association Board of Directors; Former editor of the Boston College "Heights;" Former member of the Boston College "Stylus;" Former member of the Boston College Gaelic Society; Former member of the Boston College Dramatic Society
- Member of NEA, MTA, and ATA (teachers' associations); Past president of Athol Teacher's Association; Past State Committeewoman; Past Chair of Town Political Committee; Delegate to State Political Conventions; Petersham Library Trustee; Member of St. Peter's Parish, Petersham, MA; Holocaust Scholar; Recipient of National Endowment for the Humanities Grants; Recipient of the Robert Taft Political Science Grant
- Wife of Robert E. Goudie, Sr. (deceased); mother of Robert E., Kathryn M. Tropeano, Colleen P., Steven A. (deceased), Michael I., Sean X., Brian N., Douglas P., and Kara T.



JOHN P.  
O'CONNELL '79

*Westwood, MA  
Executive Vice President and  
CFO, Slattery Brothers, Inc.*

*I believe that Boston College could best continue to broaden the relationship with its many talented graduates by creating important additional resources through mentoring, internships, continuing education and volunteer opportunities. Through these programs, a mutually beneficial bond could be developed which would serve the goals of the University and alumni.*

- Treasurer, Boston College Class of 1979, 1984-present; Member, Boston College Alumni Association Nominating Committee, 1992-1993; Mentor and alumnus, Boston College School of Management Honors Program
- Officer and director, Slattery Brothers, Inc., 1999-present; Member, Woodland Golf Club Board of Directors, 2001-present; Member, Two-Ten International Footwear Foundation; Mentor and alumnus, Babson College Graduate School of Business Administration
- Husband of Colleen W. O'Connell; father of Kate, age sixteen, and Meghan, age fourteen

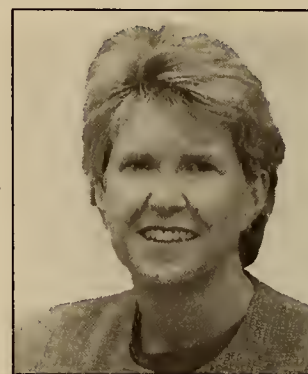


THOMAS F.  
FLANNERY '81

*Hingham, MA  
CPA, Managing Partner,  
Assurance and Advisory  
Services, Ernst & Young, LLP*

*I believe that the alumni can and should be engaged to more effectively espouse the goals of Boston College. Communication is the key link between the University and the alumni. The University must continue to communicate its mission, values and successes. University publications and communications have been very effective in "telling the story" and warrant continued investment and attention.*

- Alumnini class president, Class of 1981
- Board of trustees, St. Sebastian's School; Alumni association president, St. Sebastian's School; Board member, Greater Boston Catholic Charities; Board member, Jesuit Development Committee, New England Province; Member, Resurrection Parish, Hingham, MA
- Husband of Gina; father of Brendan, Sean, Stephen, Patrick



JANET HIGGINS  
MUG NC '74

*St. Louis, MO  
Business Owner, People  
Resources EAP/Work Life*

*As an alumna outside the northeast corridor, BC needs to continue its communication to alumni around the country and promote the reputation of its schools and programs. The attention to alumni needs to be significant to generate, foster and maintain interest and loyalty in BC through the alumni family.*

- Member, BC Club of St. Louis, twenty-seven years
- Member, Employee Assistance Professional Association (EAPA) and past national board member; Recognized on several occasions as one of the top woman business owners in St. Louis; Trustee, Villa Duchesne, St. Louis, MO; Volunteer, food program for the needy through church parish
- Wife of Tom Mug '73, J.D. '76



## MORE THAN TEN YEARS



CHRISTOPHER R.  
SKIFFINGTON M.B.A. '99

Watertown, MA  
Software Sales, International  
Business Machines

*Promote opportunities for alumni to connect with our shared experience that is Boston College. Build and deliver diverse opportunities for alumni to reengage in the intellectual and spiritual elements of our experiences at the university, rekindle camaraderie and connect us with the campus. Adding value is the key. Add value to the lives of the alumni population and I believe the alumni will engage in a fervent pursuit of the University's goals.*

- Director, Alumni Association Board of Directors; Chair, Second Helping Corporate Donations Committee; Member, Carroll Graduate School of Management Alumni Council; Past president, Boston College Graduate Management Association; Member, Boston College Club



JOHN W. HWEE '84

Brookline, MA  
Financial Planner

*I firmly believe Boston College must return to its Jesuit roots. Many of my classmates and I are of the mutual opinion that Boston College has taken the path of many large universities. We should appropriately focus some of our efforts on the entire BC community reminiscence of the concept of community service, which is a hallmark of the Jesuit tradition. In so doing, this may engage more members of the BC family in the hopes that they would remember their positive experiences at BC.*

- First elected president, AHANA Alumni Club, 1988-90; Member, AHANA Alumni Admissions Committee; Volunteer, AHANA Alumni Mentoring Program; Chief Instructor, Boston College Kung Fu Club, 1982-1987; Instructor, Boston College Karate Club, 1986-present
- Member, St. Ignatius Parish; Member, Boston Estate Planning Council; Recipient, President's Regional Honor Club Award; Recipient, "Two-time Million Dollar Man" Award; Member, Executive Council and Top Producer Award Recipient; Kite and Key Club Award recipient; Volunteer Karate Instructor, Massachusetts Institute of Technology



J. EMMETT  
MCCARTHY '64

Mechanicville, NY  
Account Executive, WBKK  
Classical 97.7

*In the tradition of the great medieval universities, BC must be a beacon to the world community on the compelling issues of our time. Whether art, politics, business, or athletics, BC must be a source of intellectual and moral vigor that our 130,000 alumni/alumnae can connect to their diverse communities.*

- Vice president, BC Gold Key Society; Alumni admissions volunteer, 1981-present; vice chairman, BC Club of Northeastern New York
- Eucharistic Minister and Lector, Corpus Christi Parish, Ushers, NY; Commodore, Saratoga Lake Sailing Club; Past vice president, Big Brothers/Sisters of Schenectady and Saratoga Counties; Past president, Rotterdam Pop Warner Football; Past vice president, Albany Irish Rowing Club
- Husband of Jayne M.; father of Brian M. and Christopher J.



CYNTHIA  
NERANGIS '92

Chicago, IL  
Supply Chain Manager,  
Freelance Consultant

*The University should strive to deliver their current initiatives to all alumni in the most clear, concise and consistent forms of communication. In these difficult economic times, we should work together to promote each other's professional goals and thus be able to continue our support to Boston College.*

- Boston College Club of Chicago Board of Directors 2000-present; Member of Boston College Club of Denver 1999-2000; Member of Boston College Club of Dallas 1996-98; Student Alumni Council Class of 1992, co-president, 1989-90, member, 1988-92; Work-study participant at the alumni association, 1988-1990; Volunteer for WZBC Radio; Member of Hellenic Society; Member of Orthodox Christian Fellowship
- Vice president and member, Greek Young Adult League; Member, Greek National Ladies Philoptochos; Member, Hellenic Professional Society Illinois; Member, Greek Orthodox Archdiocese; Instructor, SMU Continuing Education Program; Volunteer, Chicago Technology Executive Club



## LESS THAN TEN YEARS



PATRICK LAWLER '93

New York, NY  
Vice President, Endurance  
Capital Management, L.P.

*The local alumni clubs provide a vital link to the BC community for all alumni. Many great ideas are generated at the local club level. The University and Alumni Association Board should work closely with these clubs to foster these ideas for the benefit of alumni and future students.*

- Co-captain and vice president, Boston College Rugby Football Club
- Husband of Kara Lawler '92; father of Mary Katherine



REBECCA H. PASQUESI '99

Chicago, IL  
Commercial Lender,  
Officer at Northern Trust

*I believe Boston College alumni clubs across the country are a fantastic resource for the University to take advantage of and support. We all share a common drive: "For the love of BC." By communicating clearly, maintaining a strong network, and helping each other, together we can best serve the goals of BC.*

- Board of directors, BC Club of Chicago, 1999–present; Vice president, BC Club of Chicago, 2 years
- Commercial Lending Officer, Northern Trust, 2 years; Volunteer with BC Club of Chicago at Misericordia (home for handicapped children) and with local church soup kitchens



OSCAR SANTOS '94

Randolph, MA  
Teacher, Boston Public Schools

*The University can best engage all alumni to the goals of Boston College by initiating local and national campaigns that encourage alumni to support and promote Boston College's mission. These acts of volunteerism such as mentoring or reading in schools will allow alumni to create positive changes in their community and at the same time promote Boston College.*

- Member, AHANA; Member, Boston College Alumni Nominating Committee, 2002–2003
- Teacher leader in Boston Public Schools; "Boston Teacher of the Year Award," 2002; Volunteer Soccer and Basketball Coach, local YMCA

## EAST OF THE MISSISSIPPI



FLOYD B. MCCRORY '77

Washington, DC  
Financial Reporting Manager,  
Department of Mental Health,  
District of Columbia

*If there ever was a need "To Excel," the time is now as it relates to the development of Boston College alumni clubs around the world. The advance of technology can be utilized to link all segments of our organization for business and pleasure. It will also assist in providing both organizational and financial support. This advancement will also assist Boston College to engage the entire AHANA community where their experiences and areas of interest can be utilized for the entire Boston College community.*

- Boston College Alumni Association, director, east of the Mississippi, 2002–2003; Co-founder, DC Bus Trip recruitment trip which identifies qualified AHANA candidates to introduce to Boston College; Co-founder, DC Boston College AHANA Club
- Father of Katina '04



## WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI



RENEE GORSKI  
MORGAN '97

*Strongsville, OH  
Product Manager, General  
Electric Consumer Products*

*While BC has created powerful alumni online communication tools, the Internet cannot replace relationships developed by gathering as a community. Therefore, we need a reinvigoration of regional clubs, both large and small. Leaders of clubs need assistance in launching new events to energize alumni with the spirit of camaraderie, community service, and admissions volunteering.*

- President-elect, BC Club of Cleveland, 2003; Member, BC Club of Chicago, 1999–2001; Co-coordinator, Networking Night, 2000–2001; Volunteer, Alumni Admissions Program, 1997–current; Presidential Scholars Program, 1993–97; Student-athlete, Cross Country, Indoor & Outdoor Track and Field, 1993–97; Big East academic all-star, 1996–97; CSOM Honors Program, 1993–97; Beta Gamma Sigma, 1996–97; Campus tour guide, 1996–97
- Board member, Catholic Diocese of Cleveland Foundation, 2002–current; Graduate of Leadership Development Institute, 2003; Parishioner and eucharistic minister, St. John Neumann Parish (Strongsville, OH), 2001–current; Board member, GE Community Service Rookie Board, 2002–current; Coordinator, United Way Day of Caring, 2002; Volunteer, Junior Achievement, 1997–99, 2001; Co-published article on Socially Responsible Investing, Journal of Investing, Summer 2000.

- Wife of Eric Morgan '97



VINCENT PONZO '95

*New York, NY  
Sr. Business Analyst,  
Fidelity Online Brokerage*

*Young and old, near and far, we all share a common bond. We are all alumni of a first class institution. Through planning, cooperation, communication and commitment, we can create a community as unparalleled as the school itself, something that will benefit all alumni—past, present and future.*

- Vice president, Carroll School of Management, 1993–1995; BC Young Alumni Club, treasurer, vice president, president
- Boston College Young Alumni Award of Excellence, 2001; Director of membership and vice chairman, Boston Big League (volunteer arm of Big Brothers); Junior Achievement Volunteer Teacher, Boston Public Schools; Participant, Boston AIDS Ride, 1998 and 1999



ANN BERSANI '77

*Denver, CO  
Homemaker*

*Boston College can engage alumni to serve its goals by preparing future alumni, as undergraduates, to be men and women for others in the Boston College tradition. The Association can connect them with Alumni support in their spiritual retreats, and speakers.*

- Treasurer, Boston College Club of Colorado, 1999–present; member, 1994–present; Member, Boston College Club of Atlanta, 1989–93; Founder/director, Spiritual Life Committee, Good Shepherd Parish School, 1994–98; Teen volunteer coordinator, Sewall Child Development Center, 1997–present; Board member, Congress Park Soccer Association, 1998–present; Committee chair and scout leader, Good Shepherd Cub Scout Pack, 1994–98; Member, United Way de Toqueville Society; Member, Boston College FIDES Society; Member, Mile High Down Syndrome Association; Volunteer, Regis Jesuit High School, Good Shepherd School, Christ the King School and Denver Public Schools
- Wife of Michael Durkin '77; mother of Timothy '07 (expected), Kathleen, age fourteen, and Brendan, age nine



ILETA A.  
SUMNER J.D. '90

*Converse, TX  
General Counsel, Family  
Violence Prevention Services,  
Inc., dba The Battered Women's  
Shelter of San Antonio*

*We are blessed to have attended Boston College; thus, I feel that we are duty-bound to share our blessings. Therefore, I feel that a goal of the Alumni Association should be to strive to organize projects to give back to our community and to publicize such efforts.*

- Boston College Alumni Association, 1990–present; Boston College Law School Black Alumni Association, 1990–present
- Past president, Bexar County Women's Bar Association; Past president, San Antonio Black Lawyers Association; Past director and treasurer, Texas Women Lawyers; American Bar Association, 1993–present; San Antonio Bar Association, 1994–present; State Bar of Texas, 1993–present; Federal Court, Western District, Texas, 1998–present; U.S. Supreme Court, 2000–present; William S. Sessions American Inn of Court, 1995–present; "J. Chrys Dougherty Award," State Bar of Texas, for dedication to increasing access to justice for the poor, June 2002; "Alumni Achievement Award, Law," Boston College, September 2001; "Dan Price Award," Texas Bar Foundation, for outstanding legal writing and dedication to the profession, June 2000; "Award of Distinction," Rockford College, June 2000; "Belva Lockwood Outstanding Young Lawyer of San Antonio," Bexar County Women's Bar Association, October 1999; Second Place, Citywide Gumbo Contest, San Antonio, February 2002



## NEWTON COLLEGE



ROCHELLE WEBB '01

Redondo Beach, CA  
Account Coordinator, Initiative Media

*The desire for BC alumni to want to better serve the goals of Boston College is already present. The more introspective question is how do we reach the masses? It has been proven that one of the best ways to achieve mass communication is by word of mouth and I can think of no better way to do this than to speak through the students. The alumni Board will bridge the gap between campus life and the world beyond. Leading by example—peer to peer—will only prove to the world that BC's*

*wholesome community is not just speculation, but rather the truth.*

- Vice president and chief of University affairs, Undergraduate Government; Member, Lambda Pi Eta Honor Society; Orientation leader, First Year Experience; Member, Boston College Connections/Women's Task Force; Member, Jenks Leadership Program; Member, Mentoring Leadership Program; Member, Intercultural Council of Boston College; Member, Boston College Christian Art Committee; Teacher's Assistant, Communications Department & Courage to Know; Student representative, University Search Committee (for positions such as: vice president of student affairs, director of the career center, associate dean of student development, director of student funding committee and Intercultural Professor of the Communications Department); Peer advisor, Communications Department; Recruiting assistant, Football Department
- Promoted from assistant media buyer to account coordinator, Initiative Media; Recipient, Student Development Award for Leadership Programs and Services to the University, Boston College; Martin Luther King Scholarship Finalist, Boston College; Who's Who Among American Universities and Colleges, Boston College; Prudential Insurance Company of America Scholarship, Boston College; Los Angeles Marathon Participant
- Wife of Jay; mother of Joshua, age four and a half, and Jayson, 22 months



SARAH FORD  
BAINE NC '69

Winnetka, IL  
Mother

*Boston College alumni are a diverse, active, talented group. The Alumni Association provides a great flow of information to appeal to these many interests as they change and develop, from graduation to many years later, from one mile to many miles from the university. This interaction enhances the alum and the university.*

- Committee to establish Newton College Alumnae Professorship in Western Culture; President's Circle Committee in Chicago; Ever to Excel Midwest region Campaign Committee; Host of several Newton College and Boston College Events.
- Mother of Abby '98, Alexis '00



MARGARET M.  
CAPUTO NC '75

Lutherville-Timonium, MD  
National Sales Manager,  
Broadcast Television  
WMAR/ABC2 Baltimore

*Define and prioritize the goals. Evaluate their "user-friendliness." Market the goals personally, utilizing the collective influence of class officers, correspondents and regional alumni chapters on their designated segments of the alumni population. When people are privately offered the opportunity to participate at some level, a dialogue about genuine commitment has begun.*

- Class correspondent for Class Notes since August 1997, Newton College class of 1975



M. ADRIENNE  
TARR FREE NC '67

Fairfax, VA  
Instructional Assistant, Special Education Department, Franklin Middle School, Fairfax County Public Schools

*The University should increase its efforts to use the core of its active alumni to develop wider-reaching educational and religious opportunities, to create electronic or personal networks among classmates, to foster the shared Catholic heritage of Boston College and Newton College graduates and to encourage more support for current students.*

- Class correspondent, 1998–present; Prayer Network contact for Newton College '67 and Newton College alumnae of the DC Metro Area; Coordinator of annual Spring Tea for Newton College Alumnae in DC, MD, and VA, 1994–present; Supporter of Newton College Scholarship Fund and Newton College Alumnae Professorship in Western Culture at Boston College; President's Club, 1998
- Religious education catechist and coordinator, twenty years in four parishes; Parish Liturgy Committee, six years; Parish secretary, four years; Volunteer with Schools and Scouts, over twenty-two years; Substitute teacher, twelve years in three states; Columnist on voting issues for neighborhood newsletter, six years; Coordinator of High School student election participation program for Fairfax County Electoral Board, 2002; Chief officer in Absentee Precinct, eight years; Precinct election officer or chief officer, fifteen years
- Wife of William T. Free, Jr.; mother of three



# FORWARD MATH

High school students to gain from GE/BC partnership

The GE Fund and Boston College's Lynch School of Education will launch a new high school math initiative, The Boston College/Brighton High School Math Excellence Partnership. Established with support totaling \$369,000 over three years from the GE Fund (the philanthropic foundation of the General Electric Company), the partnership will involve University faculty working with math teachers at Brighton High School to support the teaching and learning of advanced math skills. "Partnerships focused on student success are essential to

moving the needle on diversity in quantitative careers," says Joyce Hergenhan, president of the GE Fund. "This grant focuses and aligns resources to make sure students get the preparation and inspiration they need to succeed."

A key objective of the project is to increase the number of students at Brighton High School who successfully complete advanced placement calculus. According to Mary Brabeck, dean of the Lynch School of Education, "Math is a high-need area at the school. I am pleased we will be able to expand our long-standing rela-

tionship in Brighton. We will greatly benefit from collaboration with our Carroll School of Management, building on our mentoring approach and our school-to-work transition program, and bringing real-world business examples into the classroom."

Funding for the program creates a new dimension in the partnership between GE and BC, according to BC administrators. For more than 10 years, General Electric has been an important recruiter of CSOM students, and sponsor of the GE Fund Scholars Program at the school.



Robert L. Reynolds

## WALL STREET HONORS

Robert L. Reynolds, vice chairman and COO of Fidelity Investments, will be honored with the Boston College Presidential Medal of Excellence at the 15th annual Wall Street Council Tribute Dinner on April 23 at New York's Waldorf-Astoria. The event will continue a tradition of support for the Presidential Scholars initiative at Boston College. The dinner is chaired by Robert M. Devlin P'98, '89, chairman of Curragh Capital Partners; Mario J. Gabelli P'90, '94, '95, '00, chairman of Gabelli Asset Management; and Peter S. Lynch '65, P'01, vice chairman of Fidelity Management and Research. The dinner has raised more than \$10 million in scholarship endowment funds, each year enabling some 15 young people who have demonstrated outstanding leadership ability and scholastic achievement to enroll at Boston College. Composed of more than 150 prominent members of the New York financial community, the Wall Street Council provides guidance for Boston College students, including career counseling and internships. On-campus programs also keep members in touch with the academic community. For more information, call Susan Thurmond at 617-552-4401.

# OPPORTUNITY MAKERS

The Rooneys support scholarship, honor Monan

Francis C. (Frank) and Frances Rooney have given \$1 million to BC to create the Mr. and Mrs. Francis C. Rooney, Jr., Presidential Scholarship Fund in honor of J. Donald Monan, SJ, the former President and current Chancellor. The Rooneys are parents of Michael '76, Jean Weil '78, and Clare Butler '87, and grandparents to Sarah '06 and Henry '06.

A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, Mr. Rooney began his career as a shoe salesman and designer, becoming president of Thom McAn and later president, CEO, and chairman of Melville, the parent company. He concluded his



Francis C. and Frances Rooney

career as CEO of H.H. Brown.

Mr. Rooney is also affiliated with Pace University and its Inner City Scholarship Fund. He is an associate trustee of the

Smithsonian Institution and a director of the National Committee on Crime and Delinquency, the United Cerebral Palsy Association, and a host of other nonprofit organizations.

"Frank and Frances are without a doubt great friends of Boston College," says University President William P. Leahy, SJ. "Their continuing generosity greatly enhances our ability to offer financial support to excellent students. One of Frank's legacies is creating an opportunity for students to follow his example as a major contributor to so many aspects of contemporary life."



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lifeblood of theology. Nor do I mean the struggle all of us experience to be faithful disciples, a struggle that is part of the dynamics of the spiritual life. Rather, by “culture of dissent” I mean the claim, advanced by theologians, priests, religious, and some bishops, that in certain matters (such as the morally appropriate means to plan one’s family and regulate fertility) the Church’s supreme teaching authority was in fact *teaching falsely* and misleading the people of the Church.

It is one thing to say of a matter of doctrine or moral teaching, “I do not understand” or “perhaps we need to think about this truth in a more refined way” or “perhaps the pastoral implications of this truth need to be more carefully explored.” It is something else entirely to say, “The teaching authority is teaching falsehoods and leading the Church into error.” To say *that* is to make more than an intellectual judgment. To say *that* is to declare oneself out of full communion with the Church. As we have come to see, that invisible schism has had all sorts of consequences.

truth as a kind of smorgasbord from which one could pick and choose as tastes dictated. The net result of all this was that the ecology of the Church was damaged severely, as Catholic Lite displaced classic Catholicism, and the Church got comfortable (or so we thought) living with the reality of fractured communion.

That is not all that happened, of course, to create today’s crisis. Clerical predators and malfeasant bishops made choices for which they, not “the times,” are responsible. Clericalism was also at work in the erosion of priestly discipline and episcopal governance. And yet, if we take history seriously, it becomes clear that the culture of dissent is a very large part of what happened. Historically knowledgeable and realistic people can understand that clerical sexual corruption has been and always will be a problem in the Church. But there is no explaining the breadth of the corruption that was brought to public attention in the past year or so, or the lack of effective leadership from some bishops in responding to it, without taking full account of the invis-

## **A CULTURE OF DISSENT IN THE CHURCH, WHICH BROKE OUT IN EARNEST IN THE WAKE OF *HUMANAE VITAE*, LED TO A KIND OF INVISIBLE SCHISM IN CATHOLIC LIFE—A RUPTURE THAT WAS TO HAVE PROFOUND BEHAVIORAL CONSEQUENCES.**

In many American faculties of theology and seminaries after the *Humanae Vitae* controversy (and then again after the 1994 apostolic letter on the impossibility of ordaining women to the priesthood, *Ordinatio Sacerdotalis*), men learned to lead lives of intellectual and spiritual self-deception. Because most bishops were not prepared to ordain men who were public dissidents, candidates for the priesthood (and sometimes the bishops who ordained them) learned to lead a form of double-life, overtly accepting, or at least not publicly challenging, official Church teachings—on conjugal morality, on sexual morality in general, on the possible ordination of women—that they did not accept and had no intention of teaching or promoting in pastoral life. This self-deception had enormous consequences. Unwilling to enforce doctrinal and moral discipline, bishops came to think of themselves as discussion-group moderators, whose primary task was to keep everyone in play and reasonably happy; and we have seen the results of *that*. Some priests’ consciences became deadened, as intellectual self-deception helped prepare the ground for behavioral self-deception; and we have seen the results of *that*. Lay Catholics, and indeed some priests and bishops, came to think of Catholic

ible schism that the culture of dissent created in the Catholic Church in the United States. To be sure, that schism first took place privately, inside the minds and souls of many clergy and some bishops. What has now been made unmistakably clear are the schism’s grave institutional effects.

SO, WHAT is to be done?

Let me focus on two points: seminary reform and the selection of bishops.

Some seminary reform has taken place in the past decade and a half, with good results. A further step forward would be to reform vocation recruitment procedures so that the first questions asked about a man’s candidacy for the priesthood have to do with the quality of his discipleship, not with his scores on the Myers-Briggs personality profile. Is this man a converted Christian disciple who has given his life to Jesus Christ? Has he manifested a capacity to deepen others’ relationship to Christ, or to introduce others to the Lord? Returning such questions to the fore means confronting the degree to which vocation work in the United States has become dominated by psychological and therapeutic, rather



than theological, categories and concepts in the past several decades. I am *not* suggesting that personality screens and psychological testing are not important parts of the recruitment process. I am suggesting that when the basic questions of effective discipleship are not put first, a skewed evaluation process results.

Similar reform is needed in the process of forming men to lead chaste celibate lives in seminaries. In recent decades, education for chastity has been dominated by seminary psychologists and psychiatrists. This must end. The insights of such professionals are helpful, but it is holy, chaste priests who will best form other men for lives of chaste celibate witness in the Church and the world. That formation must be intellectual and spiritual; throughout the formation process in seminaries, theology must once again take precedence over psychology as the crucial intellectual framework.

Then there is the question of reforming theological education itself. Seminarians formed in an intellectual climate in which it is simply assumed that modern thought is superior to all previous forms will not view Augustine, Aquinas, and Bonaventure as men they should get to know. Seminarians to whom it has been suggested, subtly or directly, that “tradition” is a synonym for “obfuscation” will never get a sense that the Church’s tradition lives and develops as a conversation across centuries and cultures—and they will not be able to present it as such to their people when they are priests. Intellectually ill-formed priests contribute, overtly or inadvertently, to the notion that every issue in the Catholic Church is really an issue of power, when in fact the serious issues being contested are all issues of truth.

These confusions must be remedied if the future priests of the United States are to speak intelligently to one of the most well-educated Catholic populations in the Church’s history. The remedies include securing faculty members for seminaries who are unimpeachably orthodox, who understand the distinctive nature of theological education in a seminary, and who themselves lead lives of holiness as priests, religious, or lay Catholics. It is not a matter of intellectual repression but of common sense to insist that every member of a seminary’s teaching and formation faculties accept, and be prepared to defend, the most bitterly contested teachings of the Catholic Church today, including the Church’s teachings on the impossibility of ordaining women to the priesthood and the Church’s sexual ethic. Nor is this a matter of banning speculative theology from seminaries; seminarians must understand that theology is a developing science. But all such speculation must take place within a determined conviction to “think with the Church,” and with-

Candle-lighters at St. Patrick’s Cathedral, New York City, on October 18, 2002, the day the Vatican announced that it was requiring changes in the American bishops’ proposed sexual abuse policy.

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in a clear understanding that the rule of faith is determined by the Church's pastors, not by the Church's theologians.

The second area of reform that I would highlight has to do with the criteria that guide the nomination of bishops. The current criteria are obvious from the form letter that the papal nuncio sends to the bishops, priests, and lay people asked to comment on a prospective candidate, in which questions are asked about a priest's character, his fidelity to the Church's teaching, his spiritual life, his habits, and so forth. All of this is unexceptionable. It is also insufficient.

The criteria must be expanded and sharpened so that the selection process takes better account of the cultural climate faced by any man who would teach, govern, and sanctify as a Catholic bishop in the United States in the 21st century. That climate is saturated with fears about being considered "intolerant" or "insensitive"—labels readily attached to anyone asserting moral truths that cut against the grain of freedom-misunderstood-as-license. Moreover, it is a cultural climate deeply influenced by bureaucratic models of governance, which affect everything from the local scout troop and parish council to General Motors, the United Auto Workers, and the Pentagon. It is, in sum, an atmosphere in which it is very easy for a bishop to think of himself as a mitered referee, whose primary responsibility is to keep "the

dialogue" going and everyone reasonably content.

This is not a model of episcopacy that would have made sense to Ambrose or Augustine, Athanasius or John Chrysostom, Francis de Sales or Charles Borromeo. It is a model of episcopacy that is wholly inadequate to the deep reform of the Catholic Church in the United States according to the mind of the Second Vatican Council. Authentically Catholic reform is going to require bishops of vision, determination, and grit, willing to challenge the flaccidity of our culture and the effects of that softness on the life of the Church.

The object of the selection process is to find apostles, men with the convictions necessary to undergird their own courage to be Catholic and the evangelical fire to inspire that courage in others. With that goal in mind, the following should be added to the standard list of questions asked of knowledgeable people about a prospective candidate for the office of bishop:

- In his life and ministry, does this priest manifest a personal conversion to Jesus Christ and a deliberate choice to abandon everything to follow Christ?

Outside the archbishop's residence in Boston on the day of Cardinal Law's resignation, December 13, 2002





• Does this priest preach the Gospel with conviction and clarity? Can he make the Church's proposal to those who do not believe? With charity, can he instruct and, if necessary, admonish Catholics who have embraced teachings contrary to the Gospel and the teaching authority of the Church?

• Has this priest ever been a pastor? Did the parish grow under his leadership? If his primary work has been as a professor in a seminary, did his students flourish under his tutelage?

• How does this priest celebrate Mass, in concrete and specific terms? Does his liturgical ministry lead his people into a deeper experience of the paschal mystery of Jesus Christ, crucified and risen?

• How many men have entered the seminary because of this priest's influence? How many women have entered consecrated religious life? Does he encourage lay movements of Catholic renewal and the development of popular piety? In sum, is he a man who can call others to holiness because he manifests holiness in his own life?

not been without serious problems. Is the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops as now constituted an aid or a hindrance to effective episcopal headship in the individual dioceses? Does its thick bureaucracy impede sharp-edged analysis of the Catholic crisis? The norms for dealing with abusive priests that were approved at the bishops' meeting in Washington, D.C., last November—norms that should have been adopted a decade ago—have given bishops instruments to deal with the most noxious weeds in the Catholic garden. But is the conference capable of addressing what must be done to revitalize the soil of our garden, so that it is less likely to produce noxious weeds in the future? I doubt it, and so, I believe, do perhaps one-third of the bishops of the United States.

In the mid-1930s, as totalitarian shadows lengthened across Europe, Pope Pius XI memorably said, "Let us thank God that he makes us live among the present problems. It is no longer permitted to anyone to be mediocre." That saying, a favorite of Dorothy Day, might also be our watchword

## **SEMINARIANS FORMED IN AN INTELLECTUAL CLIMATE IN WHICH IT IS SIMPLY ASSUMED THAT MODERN THOUGHT IS SUPERIOR TO ALL PREVIOUS FORMS WILL NOT VIEW AUGUSTINE, AQUINAS, AND BONAVENTURE AS MEN THEY SHOULD GET TO KNOW.**

• Does this priest have the strength of character and personality to make decisions that will be unpopular with other priests and religious, because those decisions are faithful to the Church's teaching and liturgical practice?

• Is this priest well-read theologically? Does he regard theology as an important part of his vocation? Can he "translate" the best of the Church's theology, ancient and contemporary, into an idiom accessible to his people?

Answers to these more pointed questions will help the responsible authorities of the Church determine whether a candidate is a man of conviction and courage. A 21st-century Catholic bishop in the United States must have the courage to be countercultural, but in ways that call the Church and the culture to conversion. The task is not to find men who will lead us into the catacombs. It is to find men who will be apostles, leading the Church toward a springtime of evangelization.

Beyond the question of criteria for choosing bishops, the past year has made clear the need to evaluate critically the structure and functions of the bishops' national conference, which was unable to deal with the scandal of sexual abuse effectively in the 1990s, and whose actions this past year have

in the months and years ahead.

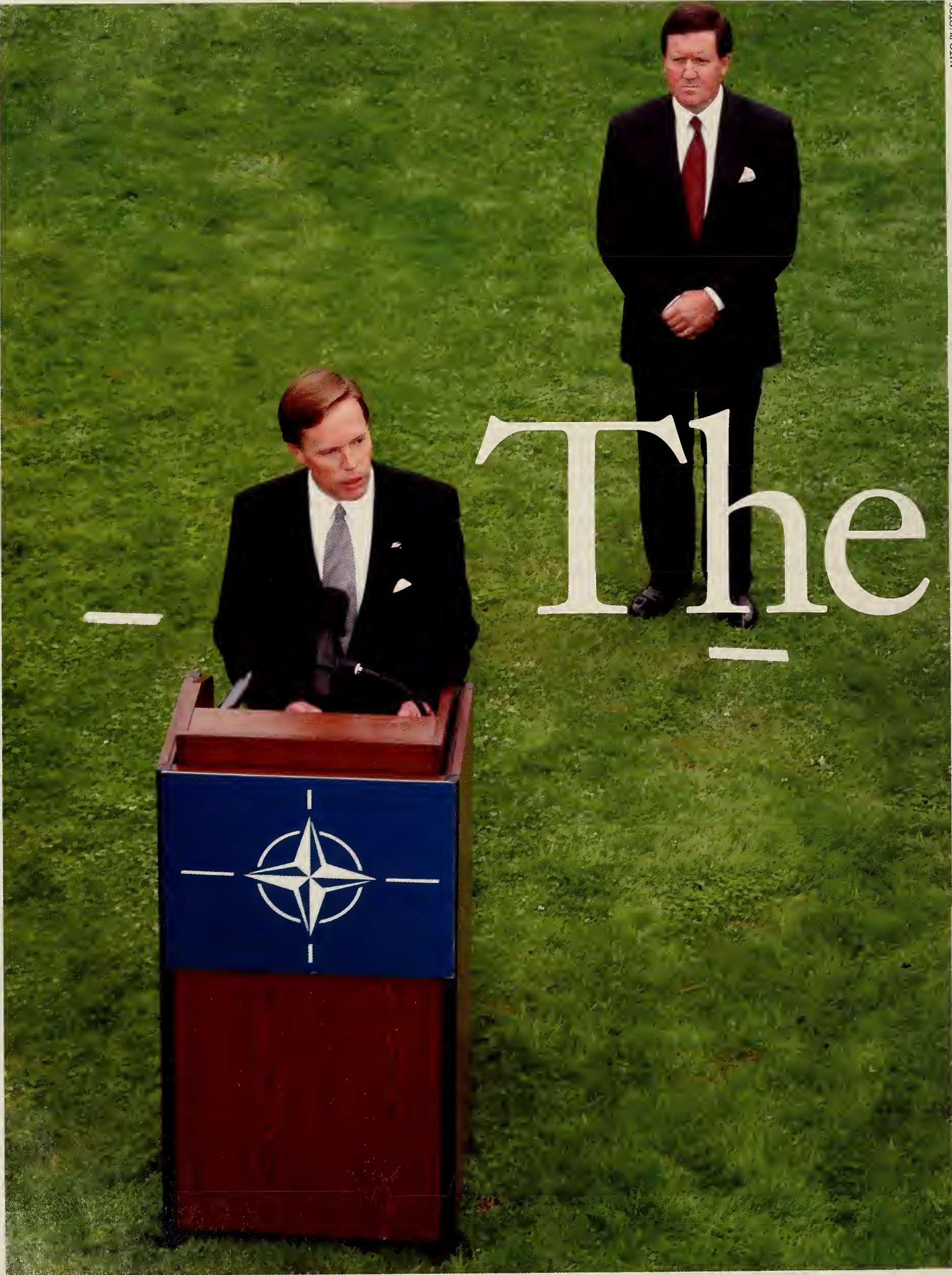
We all fail, sometimes grievously. That is no reason to lower the bar of expectation. We seek forgiveness and reconciliation, and we try again. Lowering the bar of spiritual and moral expectation demeans the faith and demeans us. So does Catholic Lite.

Catholics today are capable of spiritual and moral grandeur, and indeed want to be called to such greatness. That is what Vatican II meant by the "universal call to holiness," and that is what is available to all of us in the Church, whatever missteps the institution of the Church makes. Sanctity is available. And sanctity is what will transform crisis-as-cataclysm into crisis-as-opportunity.

In that universal call to holiness, and in the generous response to it that can be forthcoming, lies the future of genuinely Catholic reform.

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*PERHAPS THE ONLY THING SHULTZ, CHRISTOPHER, BERGER, RICE, POWELL, CLINTON, AND TWO GEORGE BUSHES HAVE IN COMMON IS THAT THEY'VE ALL TRUSTED NICHOLAS BURNS '78*  
*BY CHARLES TRUEHEART*

# Diplomat

AT THE AGE OF 47, at a point when most Foreign Service colleagues of his generation are still laboring as regional desk officers in Washington or deputy chiefs of mission in modest U.S. embassies abroad, R. Nicholas Burns '78 is already in his fourth high-profile job. Since August 2001, Burns has been the U.S. ambassador to NATO, and as such he is a significant player in the arenas of American foreign policy that seem to matter most now: the twin struggles

against the terrorists of Al Qaeda and Iraq's Saddam Hussein. Other than the United Nations, perhaps, no diplomatic assignment is quite like this one. Burns is the president's envoy to a multinational alliance of 19 not always harmonious national security perspectives, in a dramatically changing Europe. In the days following the September 11, 2001, attacks on New York City and the Pentagon, he used his pivotal seat in Brussels, where NATO is headquartered, to bring the Atlantic alliance aboard the war on Osama bin Laden's terrorist network. And he used it last fall to bring

NATO's membership to the best consensus possible on the United Nations resolution that framed the U.S. approach to war against Iraq. More recently, his efforts have focused on persuading recalcitrant NATO allies to embrace the prospective defense of Turkey, the only member contiguous with Iraq. "NATO is now facing a serious crisis. . . a crisis of credibility," said Burns in February. "The core fabric of our alliance is that when allies are in trouble we all come to their assistance."

Ever since the end of the Cold War, NATO has been on an institutional psychiatric couch. Has it outlived its purpose? Is it drifting toward irrelevance? Will the Europeans ever step forward to share the burdens of their common de-

Left: At a NATO ceremony in Brussels, Burns speaks on the first anniversary of September 11. Behind him is NATO Secretary General Lord Robertson.



fense? Trim, pleasant-faced, and tightly wired, Nick Burns says that, for all its internal tensions, the institution has never had so much potential to be “a bridge” between North America and Europe and to make a difference beyond its members’ borders.

IN LATE October, Burns sits in crisp shirtsleeves at the end of another long day of parleying with Washington and his NATO brethren. When he is not touring the alliance capitals to stroke and cajole politicians, diplomats, and generals about U.S. security needs and their own military responsibilities (he’s generally on the road about a week per month), Burns works out of a long office in the grim NATO headquarters just outside the Belgian capital. From his windows is a view of the complex—an array of prefab structures described recently by the *International Herald Tribune* as “an overgrown trailer park” (the 1967 central building was thrown up hastily on an old airfield after France withdrew from the military wing of the alliance and the previous site in Paris suddenly became untenable). Like the U.N., the NATO headquarters is essentially a warren of embassies, although here the staffs are as likely to wear military uniforms as pin-striped suits.

The next evening Burns is to deliver a speech in Berlin, in the jaws of Europe’s new anti-American behemoth, that will lay out U.S. objectives for NATO’s forthcoming summit in Prague, which President George W. Bush will attend. It will be a historic occasion: NATO’s first such meeting in a former Warsaw Pact country. The Berlin speech is an en-

dowed lecture, honoring the late German former Secretary General of NATO, Manfred Woerner; the cream of the German foreign policy establishment will make up Burns’s audience. The speech is on his mind—he pauses our conversation to ask his deputy, Victoria Nuland, for some last-minute revisions—and on his lips. The phrases he uses to describe the new threats that NATO must evolve to meet will recur, in some cases verbatim, in the Berlin speech, as well as in quotations, both sourced and unsourced, in the leading U.S. newspapers’ curtain-raisers for Prague.

The threats to common security, Burns says, come “from unstable failed states or terrorist organizations far from Europe’s borders”—adding (but not in Berlin) that the masterminds are “wackos.” He refers to a “toxic mix” of terrorism and nuclear, biological, and chemical weapons, “aimed not just at our militaries but at our civilian populations as well.” NATO, he says, “must be able to act wherever our security and the safety of our people demand action, because the virus of terrorism and insecurity is spreading.”

BURNS’S GENERATION of American diplomats, guided in part by Burns’s own example, is marked by its emergence from the shadows of anonymity and opaqueness that once sheltered older breeds of Foreign Service officers and steered their style and conduct. Burns is certainly best

Left: General Richard B. Myers, chairman of the U.S. joint chiefs of staff, with Burns at a NATO press conference. Right: a younger Burns fielding questions from the press as the State Department’s spokesman



LEFT: CORBIS. RIGHT: COURTESY OF NICHOLAS BURNS



*DURING THE DAYTON TALKS, REMARKABLY, BURNS BRIEFED THE NEWS MEDIA ON BEHALF OF ALL THE DELEGATIONS—AMERICANS, CROATS, SERBS, MUSLIMS—IN A SUCCESSFUL EFFORT TO MANAGE THE NEWS AND HERMETICALLY SEAL THE NEGOTIATIONS.*

known in the wider world as the boyish—the descriptive is invariable—State Department spokesman during the middle years of the Clinton administration, notably during the end of the conflict in Bosnia and the Dayton peace negotiations that ensued in the fall of 1995. During those talks, remarkably, Burns briefed the news media on behalf of *all* the delegations—Americans, Croats, Serbs, Muslims—in a successful effort to manage the news and hermetically seal the negotiations. In this challenging role at the State Department podium every day, Burns became a fixture on CNN and a Washington celebrity of sorts for his smiling imperturbability.

Do State Department officials spend too much of their time and of the public purse in the care and feeding of the news media? Not surprisingly for a former spokesman, Burns doesn't think so. "You need the public to understand and support what you are doing," he says. "There was a time when it was all backroom dealing—invisible. Now we have to communicate. It makes a better democracy."

Burns gets generally positive reviews from the exacting State Department press corps, not a forgiving lot. Clearly intelligent, well briefed, and a reliable messenger for Secretary of State Warren Christopher, Burns's relationship with reporters was at arm's length, and occasionally contentious. A regular reporter in the pressroom, who wishes to remain anonymous, says Burns suffered from excessive loyalty and subservience to his bosses—probably not a quality Burns would fault—which earned him the nickname of "the Weenie." Put in other terms, this reporter described Burns as "always the good son."

In any case, Burns's stretch as one of America's official voices raised his profile to a level rarely achieved in his profession. (He volunteers that Hosni Mubarak, the Egyptian president, recognized him from watching CNN.) To some in the Foreign Service, this made him suspect. But one of his former bosses, a career officer and assistant secretary of state during the Reagan administration, Nicholas Veliotis, expresses irritation at the suggestion that Burns is just a pretty face, some kind of golden-tongued front man. "Nick Burns earned his reputation before he became spokesman of the State Department. . . . He established himself long before the world recognized him—and in the crucible of the White House."

VELIOTES IS referring to Burns's five years—1990 to 1995, bridging the Bush and Clinton administrations—on special detachment from the State Department to the National Security Council (NSC). There his work was anything but public. It took place deep on the inside of the capital's diplomatic machinery, where tact, lucidity, and bureaucratic surefootedness, to say nothing of brains, are essential to success. Burns, in discussing the Foreign Service culture, says that some of his colleagues prefer being in the field and some prefer being in Washington—"the fudge factory," he quips. "I've done both." Today he describes those years as the "turning point in my career. I'm prouder of that than of anything else I've done."

The NSC assignment would have seemed an unlikely move for Burns only a short time before. Back from two tours of duty as a mid-level officer in the Middle East, at 32 Burns was posted to the prestigious secretariat of the State Department—the secretary of state's operational staff, or "the line." There he caught the eye of George Shultz, Ronald Reagan's secretary of state, who assigned him to the transition team of incoming secretary James Baker after George H. W. Bush won election in 1988. Following the inauguration, Burns became the right-hand man to the secretary's right-hand man, Robert Zoellick, today the U.S. trade representative.

The main issue of the day was the fall of the Berlin Wall and the disintegration of the Soviet empire, and Burns—who had joined the Foreign Service with a strong interest in the Third World, and who had learned Arabic and served in Cairo and Jerusalem—became an overnight Russia specialist, with a seat at the center of the action. Burns admits that he had no background, language, or training in Russia or eastern Europe; rather, he is a proud generalist in a service that has trended toward specialization.

To call him a quick study is probably an understatement. Burns was evidently good enough to catch the eye of the young senior director for Soviet affairs in the first Bush White House, Condoleezza Rice, who asked to borrow Burns as her deputy at the National Security Council. A planned posting to New Delhi was canceled.

Burns's longevity as a highly trusted operator is one measure of his adroitness and his character. In a Foreign Service where changes at the White House strike regular terror, he



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has managed to keep his lines open to both political parties over the years. If he is beloved of current secretary of state Colin Powell and national security advisor Condoleezza Rice, he was also a favorite of Clinton national security advisor Sandy Berger and deputy secretary of state Strobe Talbott. Indeed, after working as Rice's deputy at the NSC, he was promoted to her position as senior director for Soviet affairs when the Clinton Democrats took office—surely a rare transition.

The trust Burns built in the Clinton White House led to his appointment to the State Department spokesman's job in 1995, although that too happened quite by surprise. Eager to get back out and "be a diplomat again," he says, Burns had been nominated to serve as ambassador to Estonia, one of the emerging republics spawned by the dissolution of the Soviet Union. But on a trip to Cleveland, President Clinton pulled Burns into a side room and told him that Mike McCurry was moving from the State Department to become his White House spokesperson and that Secretary Christopher needed a new spokesperson.

"It was a horrible decision," recalls Burns—he and his wife, Libby, had expected an end to stressful 18-hour Washington days and a chance for him to spend more time with his three young daughters. "But when the president of the United States tells you he needs you, there have to be fairly overwhelming reasons to say no," he says. "We realized it was a unique opportunity that wasn't likely to come along again. In this business, sometimes you're not the master of your own fate."

TWO YEARS later, with Madeleine Albright's move to the State Department, Burns finally had a chance to leave Washington for a significant embassy: Prague. He accepted readily. But again at the last minute a pressing vacancy occurred—this time, in Athens. He was given his choice. "I let Libby make that decision," Burns says. When he was sworn in as U.S. ambassador to Greece, he was 41.

By every account, Burns took to his job with gusto. Greece was still laboring under the historical memory of U.S. intervention in its political affairs during the 1960s,

and, like his predecessors, Burns struggled to seal off the by-gones and reconstruct U.S.-Greek relations around current security issues in southeastern Europe.

His appreciation of the job in Athens reflected the new diplomatic zeitgeist of promoting American commercial interests abroad and of playing a highly public role in building bridges. As ambassador, he aggressively promoted a sale of Patriot missiles to Greece by Raytheon, a U.S. defense contractor. And as part of his public diplomacy agenda, he networked with the Greek-American owner of the Baltimore Orioles and Maryland's Greek-American senator, Paul Sarbanes, to stimulate the playing and watching of baseball in Greece. Burns, let the record show, is an ardent Red Sox fan, his office festooned with BoSox and Fenway Park memorabilia—"and I do believe they will win the World Series next year."

Diplomacy, Burns noted in an interview published in Boston College's 2000 *Annual Report* while he was in Athens, is no longer practiced exclusively "in the foreign ministries, in the prime ministers' offices, man to man." While acknowledging the importance of his face time with the prime minister and foreign minister of Greece, he said, "Now . . . there's a heavy emphasis on getting out of the confines of this walled embassy compound in Athens and getting out to the cities and villages, into newspaper offices where we communicate America's message." For Burns, the ambassadorship involved everything from high-level discussions in the effort to resolve Greece's long-standing enmity with Turkey (unlike Greece, a NATO ally) to sharing his enjoyment of Greek pop music with interviewers from Athens's *Music Online*.

Greece, where five American diplomats have been assassinated in the last quarter-century, gave Burns a bracing exposure to the new anti-Americanism abroad—and to the strange new world of bunker diplomacy. He and his family were guarded everywhere they went. But he remains resolute about the importance of being in the field.

"John F. Kennedy had this idea that we should be represented everywhere, and I think that's right," he says in his NATO office. "Despite the terrorism, we need to go out and lead normal lives among the people. I went to every



major city to see Greeks where they were.” He comes back to the “historic rise of anti-Americanism” since the attacks of 9/11: “If there was ever a time for American diplomats to be on the ground in places like Yemen and Pakistan and Afghanistan, it’s now. You can’t see the world from Washington, filter the world from Washington, understand the world from Washington. You can’t do that by watching television. I don’t think technology will ever replace the human element.”

Perhaps not surprisingly, Burns is a big booster of the modern Foreign Service. He politely declines to comment on the suggestion that it is a bureaucracy beset with poor morale—yet another institution trying to arrest *its* drift toward irrelevance. That is in the past, he says. When Colin Powell took charge of the Department of State in 2001, the Foreign Service had endured years of declining budgets, static pay, and crumbling infrastructure—symbolized by the Pleistocene Wang computers to which the foreign policy of the United States was long entrusted in some parts. General Powell has turned the tide, says Ambassador Burns. “He’s increased the budget 14 percent. That’s the first time that’s happened in a generation. The working conditions are getting much better. He talks about the Foreign Service the way a general talks about his troops.”

Burns also doesn’t buy another common perception about the Foreign Service: that sophisticated telecommunications and the ability of senior officials in Washington to fly anywhere easily have served to marginalize diplomats

posted abroad. Ambassadors, the charge goes, have become errand boys at best.

A smile slips across the youthful face. “Ever since we negotiated the Louisiana Purchase, presidents have taken an interest in foreign policy. It never bothered *me* that a president or a secretary of state might have something to say about what I was doing.”

BURNS’S FIRST “posting” in the Foreign Service was in 1980, two years after graduating summa cum laude from BC with a major in history, and shortly after earning a master’s degree, with distinction, in international economics and American foreign policy from the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. The job was a six-month internship at the embassy in Nouakchott, Mauritania, where the Sahara meets the Atlantic Ocean and about as tiny and remote a post as the United States maintains abroad. “It was the poorest, most desperate place you can imagine,” Burns recalls, a “feudal” country where the majority of the population was nomadic and something very close to slavery was openly practiced.

Since high school, Burns says, he had felt “a moral obligation to be involved in some way” with redressing “the vast inequities between rich and poor in the world”—a sense that was reinforced, he says, by the “moral compass” of a Jesuit education at BC. The experience in Mauritania in effect confirmed his direction, and he decided to take the Foreign Service examination. “I wanted to be fully in the game of American foreign policy to effect the changes I thought im-

Left: Greece, 2000, Burns with bodyguard. Right: West Bank, 1987.



LEFT: BLACK STAR. RIGHT: COURTESY OF NICHOLAS BURNS



portant," he recalls. While preparing for the exam, he joined a nonprofit company called Appropriate Technology, Inc., bringing small-scale development projects to the Third World. He and Libby Baylies, an architectural historian who shared his concerns and fascination with the Third World, were married in 1981; he took the Foreign Service exams in 1982; and after intensive Arabic language training for both of them, the two took up a new life in Cairo in 1983, as Burns became staff aide to the ambassador in the huge U.S. mission to Egypt.

The ambassador in Cairo was Nick Veliotis, who recalls his young confrere as "the most outstanding junior officer I had ever run into. I relied on him to carry out my instructions *and* to listen to his own judgment," says the retired ambassador. "He had a marvelous touch in working with people who were senior to him. . . . He is smart enough to know what he doesn't know. He has no arrogance whatsoever, and he's got a terrific wife."

Rounding out the initial Middle Eastern swing of his career, Burns moved on to Jerusalem in 1985 for another two-year stint. As political officer of the U.S. consulate general—one of a very few consulates, like Hong Kong, that have the informal status of full-fledged embassies—Burns played a lead role in distributing economic assistance to Palestinians. Those were the days before the first *intifada*, when violence was largely limited to stone throwing, and before the Palestinians achieved civilian authority for themselves. His work on the West Bank consisted of shuttling among Palestinians, the relief agencies trying to help them, and the Israeli military governor.

Burns sported a red beard at the time, and, in the desert heat, seldom wore a necktie. The refugee camps where he spent a lot of time were "rough places where hatred of the Israeli army and the international community were strong." One day, in a refugee camp in Bethlehem, a Palestinian friend warned him that he might be mistaken for an Israeli settler. "Better to look like what you are—an American diplomat," the friend said. He advised Burns to shave off the beard and start wearing a tie. "I did."

The Burnses lived in East Jerusalem and made some of their closest friends there, Israelis and Palestinians alike. The ambassador offers a striking memory of the animosity that has, of course, worsened considerably since the mid-1980s. As they had opted for natural childbirth for their second daughter, and it was unavailable on the Palestinian side, Libby Burns went to an Israeli clinic to deliver the baby. Burns is still shaken by the accusations—some of them in the local Palestinian newspapers—that they had "sold out" to the Israelis by making this decision. Meanwhile, when Libby's Israeli maternity-ward roommate found out to whom she was married and the work he did with and for the Palestinians, she refused to speak to Libby for the duration of their shared experience.

"We've always remembered that event as the metaphor for our time in the Middle East," Burns reflected in January. "Both the Israelis and the Palestinians wanted to pull you over to their side. To be their friend and to be fully trusted,

State Department days (left), with President Clinton and Secretary Christopher. Graduation Day at BC (right), with wife-to-be Libby Baylies



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they wanted you to be fully in their camp. I felt strongly that as an American diplomat the only morally and politically acceptable place to be was planted firmly between them.”

He mused on the way he had to navigate his friendships there. “I was close personal friends with many Palestinians but opposed them when they preached the destruction of Israel; I was friendly with Israelis but opposed them when they advocated an expansive settlement policy in the occupied territories.”

BURNS WAS an early and constant bloomer and will probably be called boyish for years to come. Yet he speaks with the collectedness and confidence of someone who was probably an adult long before his time. He certainly knew which way he was going sooner than most.

“He was voted class politician,” recalls his old friend Kevin Donahue ’78, who has known Burns since junior high school in Wellesley, Massachusetts. “When he ran for class president [at Wellesley High School], he would bring in all these world issues to his campaign speeches while the other candidates were arguing for better food in the cafeteria or less homework. Nick Burns was on a higher plane.”

Burns’s worldview can be traced to those formative days. In a Roman Catholic family that revered the Kennedys, his parents were nonetheless Republicans. At 18, Burns worked in the gubernatorial campaign of Democrat Michael Dukakis. When he edited the paper at Wellesley High School in 1973, he recalls, he railed against the Vietnam War, the death penalty, the pitiable state of race relations in America. He wore an “Impeach Nixon” button to his high school graduation, Donahue says.

Burns entered Boston College in the fall of 1974, a month after Richard Nixon’s resignation. In high school, he had considered becoming a priest, he says, and though “it wasn’t for me,” he was drawn to the Jesuit sense of purpose. “BC was perfect for me,” he says. “I had professors who tried to encourage the idealism but temper it, too, with a sense of how the world worked.” In 2002, Burns had the opportunity to reciprocate, delivering a commencement address in which he spoke both of the “fragility of the modern world” and of what “good people serving a good cause” could accomplish.

Burns is the fourth of five children, and his ties to his family and friends in Wellesley are still close. He married a woman who lived on the same street, five miles away across the town line in Weston—although they had never met before they turned up in the same junior year abroad program at the Sorbonne in Paris in the fall of 1976. (“It took her four months to ask me out,” he recalls with a smile.)

Donahue marvels at the unlikely coincidence, and remembers the striking contrast too. “He was this clean-cut, all-American kid, and she was in jeans, a peasant shirt and

no shoes.” He says, “They’re still a great couple. She’s more practical than Nick—he’s the visionary.”

NICK BURNS acknowledges the importance of personal conscience as a government servant—he is willing to declare for the record, for example, that he opposes the death penalty and always has. Nonetheless, in his chosen profession, and in the service of Democrats and Republicans alike, he says, “I’ve never had a moment when I disagreed with the position my government was taking.” And if he did? “Every public servant has to have internal moral red lines that you won’t cross—what it is you won’t do. I am very proud to be an American diplomat, but there are some things you just won’t do. Luckily I’ve never faced such a problem. But could it happen? Sure.”

As agile as Burns has been in keeping his nose clean in both the Democratic and Republican foreign-policy households, he doesn’t seem to mind aligning himself with the Colin Powell side of the ideological family feud over which President Bush now presides. “My whole career has been on the engagement side,” of foreign policy, he declares on the morning of his speech in Berlin. “The kinds of threats the world faces now—drugs, pollution, terrorism, child pornography—call for the most robust kind of engagement with the world,” he says. “You can’t fight it by yourself. That’s why I’m so opposed to unilateralism. Despite what you hear from the Richard Perles of the world”—Perle, a fellow at the conservative American Enterprise Institute, was assistant secretary of defense under Reagan—“we can’t be so blinded by our own power that we think we can do it all ourselves.”

Finishing breakfast in a small dining room in Truman Hall, the ambassadorial residence on 25 acres in a Brussels suburb, Burns reflects on the evolution of his worldview. “I haven’t changed fundamentally from the person I was in high school and at BC. But I appreciate now far more that the United States has to exercise power responsibly—and sometimes use that power as we did in Bosnia and Kosovo, and hit back. As a college student, I was quite the pacifist—war was wrong and there were always peaceful solutions. As a diplomat, I can see that the U.S. sometimes has to use its power to make war.”

When he is asked to say whether he is registered as a Democrat or a Republican, he replies that in the state of Virginia, where he votes, he is not required to declare a party affiliation.

“This is a very delicate matter,” he says with gravity, at pains not to be misunderstood. “I’ve worked for two Bushes and one Clinton at fairly high levels. I think it is important to give presidents that objectivity—for them to have a core group of professionals who won’t twist in the political winds.”

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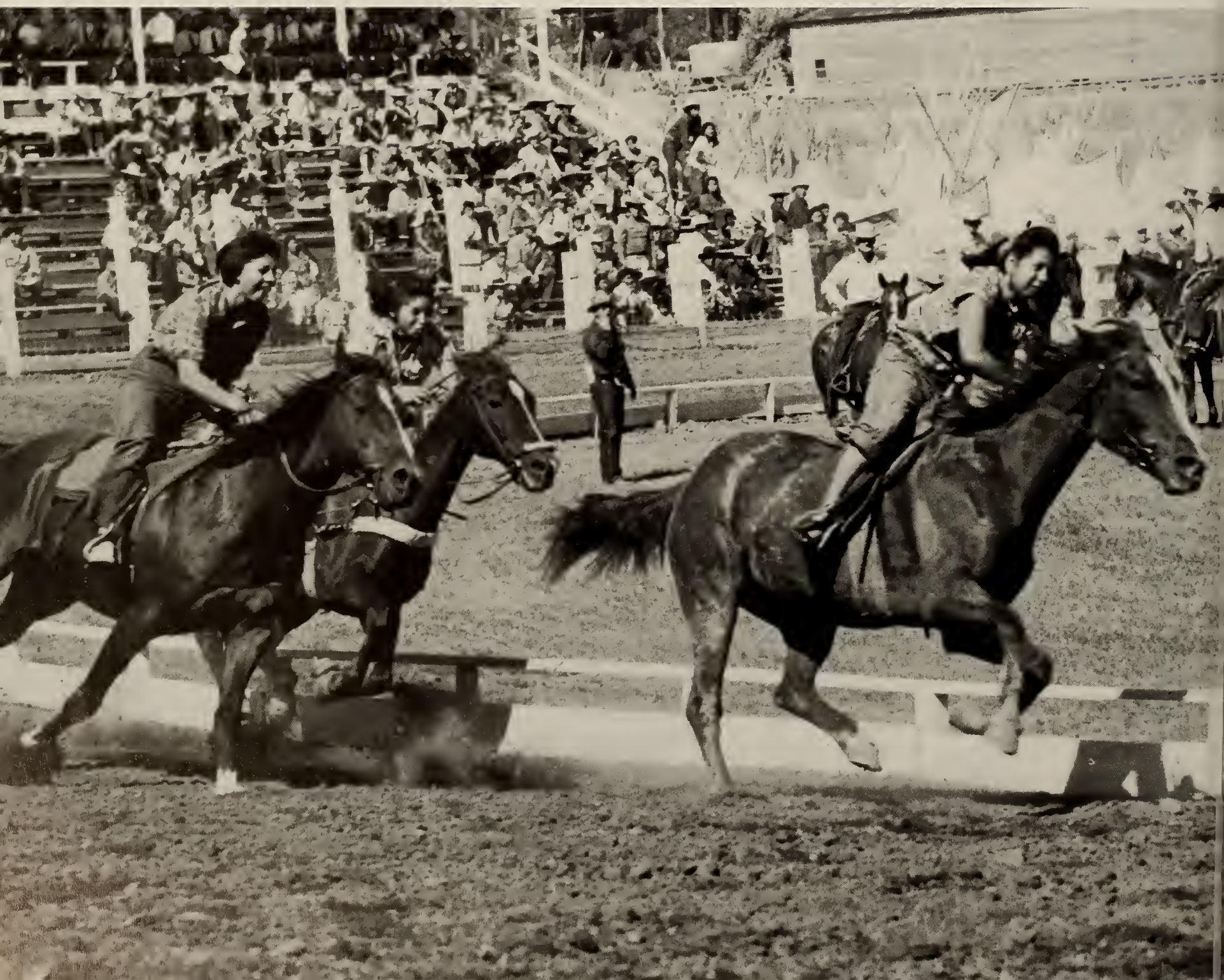


# RODEO DRIVE

THE RISE AND FALL OF THE INDIAN COWGIRL QUEEN



BY JOAN BURBICK '68





RAISED ON THE UMATILLA Indian Reservation in northeast Oregon, Leah's life had been filled with horses. Her maternal grandfather was a gambler and a horse trader. Her mother and aunt rode horses everywhere together and traveled with the seasonal migrations of the tribe, hunting, gathering roots, and trading. When Leah was young, she and her siblings would ride horses barefoot in their summer clothes. They would camp at Cayuse Ridge and ride to the mountains in the warm months to a place called Poverty Flat, a name imposed by people Leah calls "emigrants"—whites who do not understand how local geography resonates with the tribes, their sacred places, and family stories. She still chafes at that power. She prefers the name Cabbage Hill to Poverty Flat because

of the dense skunk cabbage that covers the ground in early spring. In 1952, Leah was queen of the Pendleton Round-Up, the oldest rodeo in the Northwest and one of the oldest in the country. Selected by the rodeo organizers to represent and promote the rodeo's activities, she was the fourth Indian to be named queen. Only one would be chosen after her, in 1953.

Over lunch at the Wildhorse Gaming Resort in Pendleton, Oregon, Leah, who prefers not to give her last name, explained to me that in the 1940s and 1950s, when she was active in rodeo, Indians "tried to do both." I didn't understand what she was saying. When I questioned her, she was silent for a few moments and then continued, "Today, not many Indians go to rodeos." The rodeo used to be a way to "do both"—to participate in both the Indian and white worlds—but Leah feels that is not true for many Indians anymore. In the 1940s, Indians and whites played together at the rodeo, but times had changed: Indians still ride in the rodeo parade, set up their encampment and hold a powwow, but they don't go to the rodeo. They are not a rodeo crowd.

RODEO WAS a late incarnation of the Wild West shows that began toward the end of the 19th century with Buffalo Bill



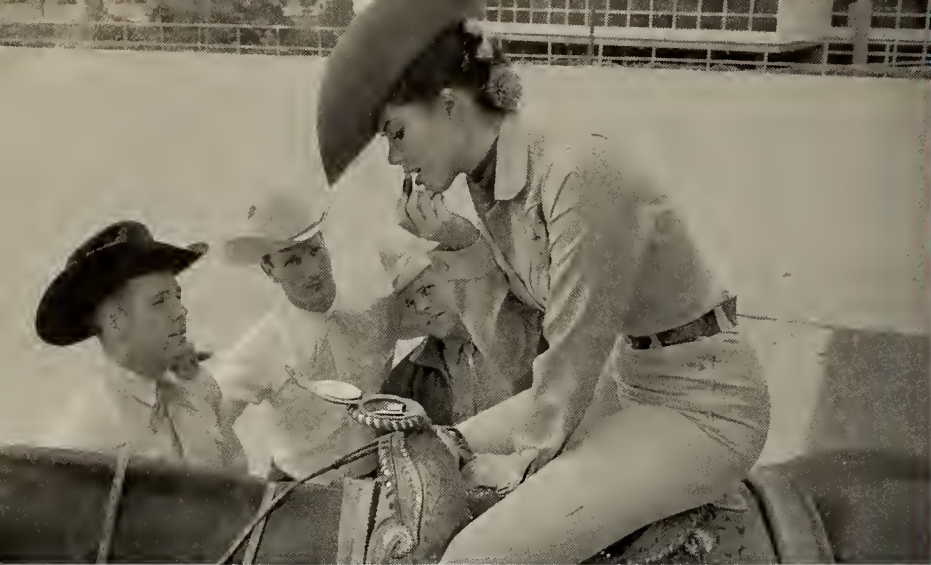
Left: Leah leads in the "Squaw Race" at the 1951 Pendleton Round-Up. Above: Leah in 1952, the year she was queen.

Cody's popular extravaganzas, which turned the history of the winning of the West into a romanticized myth of heroic frontiersmen and cavalry battling bloodthirsty, primitive Indians. Not coincidentally, rodeo developed at the end of the struggle over the frontier, glorifying pastoral values of ranch work and the taming of the wild. Pendleton, founded in 1868 and today a city of 17,000, began its rodeo in the fall of 1910, and area business leaders and ranchers invited the Umatilla, Walla Walla, and Cayuse Indians to participate. Many of Leah's ancestors were at the first Pendleton Round-Up, though Leah's mother and aunt missed it. They had not returned from their summer-long gathering of food and hides in the mountains of eastern Oregon.

With the cooperation of the tribes, the rodeo grew more and more popular. Thousands of whites poured into Pendleton every September to watch the parade, Indian dances, Indian horse races, and rodeo events. The rodeo also became a magnet for Indians throughout the region, and large Indian gatherings camped next to the rodeo grounds, seeing the opportunity to make extra money. The

temporary tepee village was a great draw for tourists, but it also provided a place for Indians to exchange news, feast, and trade among themselves.





## LADIES ONLY



IN THE 1910s and 1920s, Pendleton rodeo queens included movie stars such as Mary Duncan and Josie Sedgwick. They also included daughters of local businessmen and ranchers drawn from both the Indian and white communities. In other words, rodeo queens could also be rodeo cowgirls. They rode trick horses, roped, raced, and competed on bucking horses and bulls. In fact, in the 1920s, rodeos gave top billing to the ladies' bronc riding and racing events. Nonetheless, when Mabel Strickland, queen of the Pendleton Round-Up in 1927, petitioned the rodeo board to compete directly with men for the title of all-around rodeo cowboy, she was refused.

The heyday of the rodeo cowgirl did not last long. In 1929, Bonnie McCarroll, a bronc rider, had a bucking horse fall on her and drag her through the dust at the Pendleton Round-Up. She died of her injuries. The board of directors decided that their rodeo would never again include the ghastly death of a woman. Men could be hurt and even killed, but no woman would be allowed to ride a bucking animal. Indian and white women alike still raced and competed as trick riders, but even those events vanished for periods of time.

During the 1930s, women began to have a more defined and restricted role at Pendleton. In 1934, rodeo royalty began to perform a daredevil entry, whipping across the arena and up and over the perimeter fences. This display of horsemanship was more entertainment than competition. Rodeo queens could still participate in the competitive races at the Round-Up if they wanted to, but increasingly most stuck to the flashy promotional duties. By the late 1940s, both Indian and white women were increasingly relegated to the role of promoter, the modern rodeo queen.—*J.B.*

In the early years of rodeo, many local ventures tried to stage their own impromptu Wild West shows, in which local Indians teamed up with whites to perform choreographed battles and "scenes" from the history of the West. Pendleton tried the Wild West format, but according to Virgil Rupp, the rodeo's historian, the local tribes would not participate in a staged battle "unless they could shoot back." As early as 1910, they resisted the tired formulations in which Indians staged attacks on defenseless settlers' cabins.

So the Pendleton Round-Up tried a slightly different approach. In 1913, four years before Buffalo Bill Cody died, the city produced a new type of Wild West show, known as Happy Canyon, which continues to this day. Called "The Pageant of the West—An Outdoor Dramatic Production, Symbolizing the History and Development of the Great West," the original Happy Canyon show was the product of the combined efforts of two people: Roy Raley, a Pendleton pioneer, and Anna Minthorn, an Indian woman who taught Sunday school at the Presbyterian church. Happy Canyon was an attempt to tell the story of the West in part from the Indian point of view. Indeed, the first section of the show depicts Indian village life prior to contact with Europeans and Euro-Americans. But the cultural overlap between Indian and cowboy has remained problematic. In 2001, a revised Happy Canyon was produced. Indians were given more speaking roles and horses to fight the U.S. cavalry. They even won one battle. The pageant included more historical material and, most important, scripted a scene depicting the signing of the 1855 treaty at Walla Walla, when the Confederated Tribes—Umatilla, Walla Walla, and Cayuse—won the right to an independent reservation in the Umatilla Valley. But to some the tone of the pageant was still wrong. The serious historical treatment of tribal loss and pain jarred against what followed: the forced humor of saloon scenes and lighthearted pioneer storytelling.

To Leah, who is college educated and a retired schoolteacher and librarian, the Happy Canyon roles had always seemed "too static a portrayal of Indians." She says "Indians have changed and whites have changed," and she had wanted to see the pageant rewritten for years. But both Indian and white individuals and families in the community were invested in keeping their parts in the play. (Leah's own family had acted in the pageant since the 1940s.) And the need to keep people coming through the gates reinforced the reluctance to change. Before the casino slots and other business enterprises brought a measure of financial independence to the tribes, economic survival seemed to rest on keeping the familiar stereotypes alive.

AFTER OUR lunch, Leah invited me back to her house to continue talking. I followed her to her home on the reser-





Leah—her short hair masked by fake braids—meets President Harry Truman at the 1952 Pendleton Round-Up.

vation and pulled up in front of a modest, squared-off bungalow, surrounded by flat fields of sage and brush. We spent the rest of the day in her living room, looking through a pile of scrapbooks on the coffee table.

I opened the brittle pages carefully. The first photograph was of Leah and her sister, Etta, who also participated in the Pendleton Round-Up, riding their horses in the “Squaw Race,” Thursday, September 13, 1951. The women seemed to fly across the page, their horses lean and quick, their bodies braced for the run. Leah told me that she would lose five pounds during the Round-Up. She would get up early, take care of her horse, do the races, ride in the parade, and then sometimes have more races. In the first half of the century, the Pendleton Round-Up was quite progressive in one way: Both Indian and white women were given important roles.

At Pendleton, women from the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation were elected queens in 1926, 1932, 1948, 1952, and 1953. Also up to 1953, there were five all-Indian royalty courts representing the Round-Up, but after that, none, as the roles for women at Pendleton became racially divided. After World War II, when women no longer competed in the arena but rather sold the rodeo (see accompanying story), their ethnic background and race became more significant. The rodeo was laced increasingly with patriotism, and its queen was under strong pressure to look and act a particular way. White middle-class women were judged by rodeo boards as the best bet to promote the show.

So why was Leah chosen queen? Leah got involved in the Round-Up when her mother called her at Willamette Uni-

versity and urged her to come home for tryouts. Looking back, Leah feels that she was selected by the rodeo committee because she was “the Indian in college,” respectable and middle-class.

I kept paging through Leah’s scrapbooks as we talked. In one section was a series of newspaper promotional shots of Leah in 1952: Leah in buckskin dress, Leah in a formal evening gown, Leah in a tennis outfit with tennis racket, Leah with her horse, Leah with a Mixmaster in a kitchen behind a bowl of huckleberries—an Indian June Cleaver.

There were pictures of Leah with W. Averell Harriman, with Oregon representatives to Congress, with a New York businessman, a local millionaire, and Oregon governor James Douglas McKay. She showed me a photograph of herself in buckskin dress and braids presenting President Harry Truman with a Pendleton blanket. When I asked her what that experience was like, she told me she had been afraid. “Afraid?” I asked. “Of what?” “Well, it was my short hair,” Leah replied. After her reign as rodeo queen, she had acquired a stylish bob. When she met Truman, she said, she was afraid her “braids would fall off.” In looking at the picture, I had not noticed the fake hair, worn for the pleasure of the president. It had seemed so natural.

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Backfilled: Cathedral of the Holy Cross, Boston, 1944

# Natural selection

A HISTORY OF CHANGE IN A CHANGELESS CHURCH

BY GARRY WILLS

The Church never has been a pristine organization. The Apostles squabbled. The primitive Church was riven with faction in all of its centers—Jerusalem, Corinth, Antioch, Rome. At Antioch, Paul called Peter a hypocrite and a turncoat. About 60 years later, Ignatius, the first bishop of that city, was driven out by his fellow Christians.

The Church has perdured through horrible times, and it has picked up many of the attributes of those times. I've said

before that the presidents of the United States score higher than the popes in their general level of decency. We haven't had presidents that I know of who were murderers or incestuous or torturers. We've had all of those in the popes. The Church has been misogynist in misogynist times; slaveholding in slaveholding times; anti-Semitic in anti-Semitic times. And yet the sacramental life has gone on. The graces of the Spirit have endured—even in the 10th century, when



the papacy was owned by a family that put its own bastards in and took Church money for private purposes. That was the very worst time, and yet the monastic revival of Europe also took place then.

In the United States especially, people my age grew up with the idea that the Church was always perfect; that it never changed and it certainly shouldn't change. The journalist and Catholic convert Malcolm Muggeridge used to say he loved that everything else can switch around but we can rely on the Catholic Church always to be the same. Well, thank God we can't: We would still have interdicts. We would still have the selling of indulgences and a pope saying that you can get out of purgatory by killing heretics. Indeed, from the trivial to the serious, there are examples of "changeless" elements of Catholicism that were themselves the results of change.

FOR INSTANCE, a lot of people were very upset when the Latin Mass disappeared, and some still are. But the Latin Mass was itself a change, brought on by popular demand. Jesus talked to his disciples in the language that they understood, Aramaic. The early Mass was said in Syrian, in Aramaic, in other languages, but it was mainly said in Greek, because Greek was the common language of the Roman Empire. The empire had been inherited from Alexander's Hellenistic empire, where they spoke a kind of pidgin Greek—Koine Greek—and that's what the New Testament is written in. When Jesus and Pontius Pilate talked to each other, they spoke in Koine Greek, because Pilate didn't understand Aramaic and Jesus didn't understand Latin.

Only when enough native Italians became Christian did the Mass go into Latin, and only where they predominated. Mass continued to be said in Greek in the Greek Church, of course, and in parts of the Western Church for a long time.

When Latin splayed out into French and Italian and Spanish, the Mass should have followed into the vernacular. But by that time, there was a clerical elite that had a monopoly on learning, and Latin was the key to it. The clergy not

only said Mass and the Office in Latin, but studied theology and read the Bible in it. Latin had become a shibboleth. At the Council of Trent in the mid-16th century, the Latin Bible was made official. The reason, according to the council: The Holy Spirit would not have allowed the Church—meaning the Western Church—to use the Latin language for so many centuries if it weren't the language he wanted.

The Council of Trent crippled Catholic biblical scholarship for centuries, right down to the last one.

THE CELIBATE priesthood, too, though relying on a claim of changelessness, was the result of change. For centuries in the early Church, priests and bishops had married. As late as the fifth century, the holy poet Paulinus of Nola congratulated a bishop on having bishops for his son and his grandson. And in the New Testament itself, Paul, in I Corinthians 9:5, says, in effect, "I have every right to travel with my Christian wife like Peter and the other Apostles." What caused the change? In the fourth century, an extraordinary asceticism swept over both the East and the West—over pagan as well as Christian worlds—in which it was considered that the only way to get close to God was to divorce oneself as far as possible from the body: Torture it. Deprive it of sleep, deprive it of food, drink, companionship, sex, marriage. The ascetics became great celebrities. Peter Brown, Princeton's scholar of late antiquity, says they were the astronauts of their time, exploring inner space. People went to them for consultation—Simeon Stylites, for example, wrote treatises for countries.

Bishop Athanasius in Alexandria grew upset at this, and he said, in effect, "We've got to ordain some of these people so that their holiness will rub off on us." But the ascetics didn't want to be ordained. The Church kept after one man, until he sent back his own ear, which he'd cut off, and the message, "If you keep this up I'll just keep sending back body parts, because denying the body is getting close to God anyway." John Chrysostom, later the Bishop of Constantinople, wanted to become a desert father; he went into the desert and his health broke and he almost died, so he had to return to Antioch and settle for second best, which was the priesthood.

In order to regain credibility with the people, bishops and priests of the Church decided that they should become ascetics themselves. Not only would they not marry, but they would publicly adopt much of the rest of the ascetic program, scourging themselves and fasting. So, incrementally, celibacy came in as a way of gaining the trust and honor of the people.

Well, that original motive has largely evaporated. We don't see too many desert fathers in the priesthood these

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days, starving themselves to the point of death. And so new arguments have been developed for saying that the Church can't change its stance on clerical celibacy. In his 1967 encyclical on the celibate priesthood, *Sacerdotalis Caelibatus*, Paul VI turned to Scripture, but only to part of it. The most relevant passage of all, the passage where St. Paul says, "I can travel with a Christian wife like Peter," doesn't appear in his encyclical. Paul VI didn't lie directly—he didn't say, for instance, that St. Paul didn't say this or that this passage doesn't apply. He just left it out, to deceive us.

And what did Paul VI cite from Scripture? The passage he loved, that he used four times in the encyclical, is the one in Matthew 19 that says, "Some people are born castrated, some people are castrated by force by others, and some people castrate themselves for the kingdom of heaven." Now, there are certain problems with his use of that passage. For one thing, Jesus isn't saying it about priests. He's saying it to the whole of the Christian audience listening to him. He doesn't specify that it's about priests, for a very good reason. There are no priests in the New Testament. The word *iereus*, or priest, only appears in two places, apart from references to Jewish priests: in the Book of Revelation, where it is said that all who rise will be priests around the altar of God; and in the Epistle to the Hebrews where it is said that Jesus is the last priest.

In his epistles, St. Paul speaks of more than a dozen ministries—healers, teachers, readers, overseers, suppliers, speakers in tongues, interpreters of tongues, and so on—but he never refers to priests. He never calls Timothy one. And he never calls himself one. He never says that he presides over the Eucharist. What he says is that these are gifts given by the Spirit: Take them as the Spirit moves.

Early Christianity was a charismatic community. And we know from charismatic communities that sooner or later—usually quite soon—there has to be some structure. There have to be people who regularly do certain things, and so the priesthood developed. It was a development—a natural, legitimate, important development.

Moreover, Paul VI didn't mention the parallel passages of Matthew 18 when he cited Matthew 19. The castration passage is part of a series that says, for instance, "If your right eye offend you, pluck it out . . . . If your right hand offend you, cut it off . . . . If your foot offend you, cut it off. If your family gets in the way, hate your father, hate your mother." These so-called "kingdom sayings" signal the tremendous break in history that Jesus is bringing. But they have nothing to do with the priesthood, unless you hold all Christians to be priests, as Peter did in his first epistle.

Paul VI also came up with another argument: that if you are married, you will have more concern for your wife and children and not as much concern for your flock; that to be

a good priest and think of the community, you should not be married.

Does a spouse separate you from others? In my case, my wife reminds me very pointedly of people I would otherwise neglect or misunderstand. She tells me when I misunderstand them and how I misunderstand them. Does having children get in the way? When our children were growing up and we were interacting with other parents at church, school, Little League, choir, ballet, we were never more involved with the community, and we never had a wider or closer network of friends. I think it's insulting to say that a family cuts you off from other people. Families are exercises in community; they mesh with community. When you go to a doctor, do you say, "I must know, doctor, that you don't have a child of your own, because if you do, you might not care as much about my child"? Doesn't it work the other way? Should we say to anyone running for president, "You're going to have hundreds and hundreds of millions of people to take care of—only bachelors should run"?

If a bishop had a wife, and their son was raped by a priest, do you think said bishop would move that priest around and not tell other people that their children were at risk? Do you think that he would try to keep the priest from civil authorities? Do you think he would reassign him decade after decade while 70 or 80 other children were molested? Do you think his wife would let him?

THE LAST "changeless" element of the Church that I want to consider is the male priesthood. We're told that Jesus didn't ordain any women. That's quite true—but he didn't ordain any men, either. The male priesthood was a development, an early, natural development. It took place at a time when everybody—pagans, Jews, Christians—agreed that women were inferior. Aristotle said that Nature tries to make a man and, in failing, we get a woman. St. Thomas Aquinas in the 13th century said women can't be priests—God deserves the best, and they're second best.

It was natural at a time when authority seemed to be male to have only male authorities in the Church. But that perception has changed, and there's no reason now why a woman cannot be a priest. I have interviewed Sr. Helen Pre-jean, who goes into prisons and ministers to individuals during their harrowing time on death row. Isn't it a little ridiculous that having gone through that, she has to call in a stranger at the end to give the Last Rites? Who is the real pastor in such cases?

For 22 years, I've been going to a campus church at Northwestern University, and for 17 of those years the thread of continuity there was a woman named Mary Kincaid-Kissinger. She was originally called a chaplain, and



then the diocese got a little upset at that so she was called the assistant director. In that time, three priests came and went, and in the interstices she had to pull people in to do the sacraments the way Sr. Prejean has to pull people in.

Mary Kincaid-Kissinger ran retreats, she ran prayer groups, she ran meditation groups. She memorized, every year, all of the new students who had checked off "Catholic" on their enrollment form, and she would learn something about them. When they showed up, she would say, "Thank God that you came; we've been waiting for you." She retired in May, and the students organized the farewell to her, which took place after Mass. About two dozen students, present and past, including some married couples who had taken their pre-Cana instruction from her, got up and told their stories of what she had meant in their lives. They never did that for any of the priests.

THE PRIESTHOOD is disappearing at a terrible rate. It's happening mainly in developing countries, which have one-fifth the ratio of priests to congregants that we have in the West. Even so, there are more lay ministers now than priests in the United States, and 85 percent of them are women. They're doing what Mary Kincaid-Kissinger does, in hospitals, in prisons, and in universities.

We need women on a practical level, but we also need them on a theological level. God is not male. God is not gendered. He's beyond gender. He's a mystery. St. Augustine said, "If it's God, you don't understand it. If you understand it, it's not God." He also said, "The Father is not really the father in any literal sense. The Son is not really the son."

We use that paternal analogy because it's what God gave us in the Incarnation. It gets us close to the mystery, but it doesn't state it in any literal form. We get farther from the mystery if we think that God is only male, that God created only males in his image. We should think of God as transcending gender, as having certain aspects that we want to find in the highest reality that are male and certain aspects that are female.

We may have to call him God the Father and God the Son. But God the Holy Spirit can be called female—and she's the one who will guide us into being Catholic in years to come, following a future that is marked out for us by Mary Kincaid-Kissinger.

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## COMING UP

### A selection of events sponsored by Church in the 21st Century

#### Wednesday, March 12

Lecture: "The Pain and the Privilege: Reflections on the Crisis in the Priesthood in the Light of the Decree on Priestly Formation," by Fr. Donald Cozzens, author of *The Changing Face of the Priesthood*. 7:00 P.M., Cushing Hall 001.

#### Thursday, March 13

Lecture: "The Crisis of Authority," by Joep Leerssen, professor of European studies, University of Amsterdam. 7:00 P.M., Fulton Hall 511.

#### Wednesday, March 19

Lecture: "The Priest in the Church: Seeking the Eucharistic Center," by Fr. Robert Imbelli, BC professor of theology. 7:00 P.M., Cushing Hall 209.

#### Wednesday, March 26

Lecture: "No One Comes to the Father Except through Me(dia): Ministry and Media Culture in the Light of Vatican II's Decree on the Means of Social Communication," by Thomas Beaudoin, BC professor of theology. 7:00 P.M., Champion Hall 303.

#### Thursday, April 3

Lecture: "Covenant Violated, Covenant Restored," by Jon D. Levenson, professor of Jewish studies, Harvard University Divinity School. 7:00 P.M., Fulton Hall 511.

#### Friday, April 4

Conference: "Legal Aspects of Clergy Sex Abuse." 9:00 A.M.—5:00 P.M., Room 120, East Wing of Boston College Law School.

#### Wednesday, April 9

Lecture: "A Spirituality for the Church in the 21st Century," by Colleen Griffith, BC professor of theology. 7:00 P.M., Cushing Hall 209.

#### Tuesday, April 15

Lecture: "Why is the Church Undergoing a Crisis of Affectivity and a Crisis of Governance?" by Timothy Radcliffe, OP, former Dominican master general. 7:00 P.M., Higgins Hall 300.

#### Wednesday, April 23

Lecture: "Was Catholic Religious Education After Vatican II a Failure? The Council's Declaration on Christian Education after 40 Years," by Thomas Beaudoin, BC professor of theology. 7:00 P.M., Devlin Hall 216.

Events are free and open to the public. For contact information and details on these and other scheduled programs, visit the Church in the 21st Century Web site: [www.bc.edu/church21](http://www.bc.edu/church21).



# Meet the press

GLOBE REPORTERS FACE THEIR CATHOLIC READERS

Here is a scene that would have been difficult to imagine as little as one year ago: Five journalists from the *Boston Globe* sit on a stage before an audience of 600 Catholics, young, old, and middle-aged. These journalists—members of the paper's investigative Spotlight Team—have produced hundreds of stories, week after week, month after month, that have damaged the Boston archdiocese like nothing in modern memory and that have created national and then international ripples. Evidence of sexual misconduct by priests, of heart-wrenching child abuse, and of a cover-up at the highest levels has been put in front of the public. And the reporters are treated almost as heroes, with several in the audience rising to thank them publicly for their coverage.

When BC's Department of Communication sponsored the *Globe* panel, on a Wednesday night in late October, Robsham Theater was filled to capacity with journalism students and concerned Catholics from the wider community. As the *Globe*'s Walter V. Robinson recounted for the crowd, the Spotlight Team's output had been prodigious: In the 10 months since breaking the initial story in January 2002, the newspaper had run about 600 articles relating to pedophile priests; its reporters had spoken to about 300 victims in the Boston archdiocese alone. The *Globe* staff had sifted through 10,000 pages of previously secret court documents. And the effects had been sweeping: Since February, 24 priests had been removed from Boston-area parishes, and 400 or so had been removed nationwide.

Robinson, who is the top editor for the Spotlight Team, began the discussion of how the *Globe* pursued the story, crediting the newspaper's new editor, Martin Baron, with putting the project in motion. Baron, formerly the executive editor of the *Miami Herald*, became editor of the *Globe* in August 2001. The *Globe* had recently published a front-page story about Cardinal Bernard Law—"Law Defends His Response in Clergy Sex Abuse Case"—involving complaints



Walter Robinson (left), Matt Carroll, Michael Rezendes

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against Fr. John Geoghan, an accused pedophile who was defrocked in 1998. Lawyers for Cardinal Law in civil suits filed by abuse victims had admitted that Law knew of Geoghan's troubled history when he reassigned the priest to a new parish. Baron asked the Spotlight Team to look deeper into the story. In talking with attorneys involved in the suits, Robinson said, "What we had found out was that Geoghan appeared to be the tip of an iceberg of undetermined size—that over a pe-

riod of time in recent years the archdiocese had secretly, without going near a courthouse door, settled some large number of cases involving a large number of priests. We did not know the number at that time. But [we learned] that these cases were settled primarily to keep the issue from becoming known to the public."

Reporters Matt Carroll, Michael Rezendes, Sacha Pfeiffer, and Stephen Kurkjian detailed the laborious efforts that brought the hidden history to light. Early on, Carroll set up a database, listing names (gathered from church yearbooks) of priests who had been reassigned or relieved of their duties through the 1980s and 1990s. The reporters knew that in some instances there had been allegations of sexual abuse. But when they searched court records, they came up with only the barest evidence—even when a case did exist, there was no information available about it. "After more reporting, we found out that these cases had been sealed by judges," Carroll said. Shortly thereafter, Baron dispatched the paper's lawyers to start the long process of getting access to the records.

Meanwhile, reporters began to discover that in back-and-forth motions between lawyers for the victims and the archdiocese, significant excerpts of the confidential records were attached as exhibits and had become part of the public record. As Michael Rezendes recounted, "Suddenly we realized that by piecing together these documents, we could show that we didn't just have a story of a serial pedophile



priest, which of course is terrible in and of itself, but we had a story unlike other stories about pedophile priests that showed that all the significant people who supervised this priest knew. That Cardinal Law knew and that his top bishops also knew.”

Those partial records gave the Spotlight Team the material for the initial stories in January about how the Church had handled the Geoghan case. “It’s almost impossible to explain the reaction we got,” said Pfeiffer. The telephone “rang constantly for weeks, and the huge majority of those calls were from victims, all over the country.” As Kurkjian recalled, “I’ve been a *Globe* reporter for 30 years and I’ve never seen a story take off like this one and cause fundamental changes in an institution.”

THE SOLE moment of tension during the evening’s discussion in Robsham came when a gentleman who described himself as having “a 20-year history of defending the Catholic Church here in Massachusetts as a Catholic layman” sought to detail what he described as “a long, proven history at the *Globe* of an anti-Catholic rhetoric.”

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As the man’s comments went on and some people shifted in their seats, the veteran reporter Kurkjian interrupted: “Do you have a question, sir?”

“The thing is,” the man said, “there’s no meddling with Jews and Protestants as of now; it would seem in fairness that you should check those institutions as well so that we can have a truly balanced report.”

Kurkjian replied: “That’s outrageous, sir. That’s outrageous. We have done that checking. The numbers aren’t there. Don’t ask us to balance the abuse that went on here by looking at other . . .” The rest of his statement was drowned out by applause.

*Globe* reporter Matt Carroll took up the question. “It is true that the *Globe* has been accused of an anti-Catholic bias. As a matter of fact, when our first story came out on January 6, we were a little worried that there might be picketers out in front of the *Globe*.” But as events played out, the only place where picketers showed up was in front of the cardinal’s residence. Of the “thousands” of e-mails and phone calls the *Globe* has received since that day, Carroll said, “less than 1 percent” have been negative.

Pfeiffer described the paper’s adversarial relationship

with the archdiocese: “This was a case where the institution we were writing about didn’t want us to write about what we were writing and wasn’t letting us in. The Church not only wouldn’t answer our questions, but wouldn’t take our questions. When we tried to submit questions, they didn’t want to look at them.” And Kurkjian acknowledged it is not easy to forget that when stories about the sexual assaults committed by ex-priest James R. Porter appeared in the *Globe* in 1992, Cardinal Law had famously declared, “By all means, we call down God’s power on the media, particularly the *Globe*.” (Tellingly, Kurkjian remembered the quote as Law calling down “the *wrath* of God.”) Kurkjian recollected the moment he learned of Law’s comment: “I shrugged a little bit and said we’ll just have to put it in the paper and see what happens.”

After the program, a young-looking priest in Roman collar approached Walter Robinson. He thanked the journalist for his work but went on to ask Robinson to think about his “biases” when discussing such issues as the celibacy of priests. He took exception to an offhanded comment by Robinson that the Church scandal “brings into our sights the whole issue of celibacy and the role it plays.”

I later asked the priest to elaborate. He was Kevin R. White, SJ, a Boston College High School philosophy teacher who had, it turned out, written a defense of Catholic teaching on celibacy that had been published last March on the *Globe*’s op-ed page. His assessment of the *Globe*’s role in this story was mixed. “There’s both gratitude and a sense of frustration,” he said.

Fr. White said that many “nuances” of the unfolding story are not well covered by the reporters or the columnists at the *Globe*. “Celibacy is not understood by *Globe* reporters,” he said.

On the other hand, Fr. White believes the past year’s revelations will ultimately lead to “a stronger, more purified Church.” It is that sense of hope and faith that, if shared widely enough by Catholics, may eventually bring the day when the investigative reporters go on to other projects.

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# “Number One”

THE MAN WHO SET THE STYLE FOR AMERICA'S BISHOPS

BY JAMES M. O'TOOLE

By now, the story is all too familiar. A powerful cardinal cuts a wide swath in a predominantly Catholic city. Public officials defer to him, and anything he says on any topic makes news simply because he is the one who says it. He owes his position not to the support of the local Catholic community, but to powerful patrons in Rome, carefully cultivated over many years. The Vatican is his only real constituency—he is largely friendless among his own priests. He is equally remote from ordinary parishioners, most of whom respect but never grow to love him. And even as he wields considerable power, he also takes care to conceal a disturbing secret. Once the full story is revealed, his historical reputation is diminished.

That may sound like the story of Cardinal Bernard Law, recently resigned after 18 years as archbishop of Boston. But in fact it is a summary of the life of one of his predecessors, Cardinal William Henry O'Connell, who served from 1907 until his death in 1944. Though he was originally from Lowell and had served in parishes in Boston and Medford, O'Connell was very much an outsider when he emerged as the surprise choice to lead local Catholics. The priests of the archdiocese actively wanted someone else for the job, but O'Connell used his connections in the Vatican to win the office for himself in the first such overt demonstration of personal ambition in American Catholic history. In the age of flamboyant local politicians like James Michael Curley and John F. “Honey Fitz” Fitzgerald, O'Connell became a dominant figure in the region, unafraid to flex his political and social muscles on a broad array of concerns. Legislators and newspaper reporters learned to ask what “Number One” (as he was often called) or “Lake Street” (the location of his office and residence) thought of any important matter of public policy. In 1935, he single-handedly scuttled a bill to establish a state lottery, and in 1942, he marshaled his forces



Cardinal William Henry O'Connell of Boston, in 1930

PICTURE HISTORY

to defeat a referendum liberalizing Massachusetts's birth control laws.

But even as he exerted this public influence, O'Connell was concealing a scandal. In the 1910s, his priest-nephew and another priest of his household were secretly married to women in Boston and New York, and they were embezzling money from the archdiocese to support their double lives. O'Connell knew of this but failed for seven years to do anything about it, until he was forced by Rome to remove the two from the priesthood in 1920. Boston's priests, other U.S. bishops, and some local politicians had known the story, but deference to the cardinal's authority left them reluctant to go public. Ordinary parishioners never learned of the underside of local Church administration. The city's newspapers—it's not clear how much they actually knew—were unwilling to take on

the leader of the region's largest church: With a word from him, circulation might drop overnight. After Rome cracked down, O'Connell continued to exercise power locally, but his authority within the national and global Church was finished. Not until the 1980s did the full story come to light, thanks to the opening of archives in the Vatican and elsewhere.

The parallels between Cardinal O'Connell and Cardinal Law are striking, but they are of more than purely historical interest. O'Connell set in motion trends whose logical conclusion was Law. How the archbishop defined his role in the wider Boston community; how that community, Catholic and non-Catholic alike, viewed him; how an expanding Vatican influence came to outweigh local interests in choosing leaders—the patterns established after O'Connell came to Boston in 1907 remained fixed for nearly 100 years. Cardinal Law's resignation, following a year of growing outcry from the Catholics of Boston, holds out the hope that the “O'Connell century” in Boston may have ended. Whoever Cardinal Law's successor turns out to be, he may have the



chance to move in a different, more positive direction.

At the heart of the problem was the procedure by which Catholic bishops were chosen during the O'Connell century. Changes in that procedure came from Rome, but O'Connell knew how to take advantage of them, and he showed other American churchmen how to do the same.

Contrary to what many people assume, the appointment of Church leaders was not always the sole prerogative of the pontiff. As late as 1870, a mere handful of the several hundred bishops in the world were chosen unilaterally by the pope. In most places, including the United States, the pope's role was largely to select leaders from lists prepared by local pastors and neighboring bishops. This appointment system took account of local needs and knowledge, and it produced churchmen who were intimately connected to their own people. In Boston, this system had worked wonderfully well. John Fitzpatrick (bishop from 1846 to 1866) was a graduate of Boston Latin School, admired as much by Adamses and Lawrences as by the Irish immigrants who flooded into the city. John Williams (archbishop from 1866 to 1907) had spent years in parish work, though he was also a capable and shrewd manager. Indeed, Williams was the last archbishop of Boston who combined competent administrative skills with fundamental decency in addressing problems. His successors have possessed one trait or the other, but never both.

A new system of appointment—it was a genuine innovation, though presented as a long Church tradition—ushered in a parade of less successful leaders in Boston and elsewhere, as the Vatican bureaucracy came to control the process to an extent that it never had before. Ambitious prelates could lobby for advancement and succeed, because they only needed to persuade a handful of officials in Rome to secure the prize. The Vatican bureaucracy expanded significantly, and improved communication systems permitted officials there to scrutinize Church affairs around the world more closely than they had before.

O'Connell recognized the possibilities of this system early on. He spent his five years (1901–06) as bishop of Portland, Maine, actively campaigning for promotion to Boston, funneling large contributions to numerous Vatican causes, and loudly protesting that he was more loyal to the papacy than anyone else. While others followed his example, the dynamics of clerical lobbying could be complicated. Cardinal Richard Cushing, who succeeded O'Connell and served as archbishop of Boston from 1944 to 1970, was appointed after intense politicking by New York's Cardinal Francis Spellman, who wanted to become the *de facto* leader of the American hierarchy by blocking the appointment of another, more potent candidate in Boston. (Even after Cushing's selection, Spellman's influence prevented Cushing's designation as a cardinal for 14 years after his in-

stallation as archbishop.) Cardinal Humberto Medeiros, archbishop from 1970 to 1983, was an outsider to Boston. He was born in the Azores, grew up in Fall River, and served as a bishop in Texas; all this diminished his influence amid the anti-busing violence that broke out during the school desegregation crisis of the 1970s. Upon his appointment in 1984, Law—who was born in Mexico and had attended a seminary in Ohio—was connected to Boston only by a 30-year-old undergraduate degree in history from Harvard. But he had not been shy about drawing Rome's notice, both in staff positions with the national bishops' conference and in his previous assignment in Missouri.

THE REAL PROBLEM was less with any of these individual men than with the system that produced them. Leaders were chosen precisely because they were disconnected from the city in which they were expected to be important players. In Boston and elsewhere in the world, the Vatican clearly preferred outsiders, leaders who would feel more connection to Rome than to any particular diocese. Independence from their own dioceses was tolerable; independence from Rome was not.

In Boston, another consequence of this system was that archbishops cultivated an imperial, even imperious, style of leadership. Beginning with O'Connell, they demanded to be treated as the "princes" of the Church that they were. Their closest associates addressed them as "Your Eminence," never using their given names. (Fitzpatrick, by contrast, had been known as "Bishop John.") After hours and off the record, this might give way to sarcasm: Among themselves, some of Law's priests referred to him as "the Emperor." In public, everyone was correct, speaking of "His Eminence, the Cardinal," and deference came to be expected. For all his folksy manner, Cushing delighted when policemen knelt in the street to kiss his ring. Medeiros eschewed many of these trappings, but was often criticized for it: Boston's cardinal was expected to be assertive, not self-effacing. Law restored the full imperial style. That Medeiros and Law had done their seminary studies elsewhere redoubled their remoteness. They had no classmates or old friends among their clergy on whom they could rely for frank advice or brutally honest debate over Church policy.

To be sure, having a powerful and imposing archbishop was often a useful thing in Boston, as it was in other cities. The cardinal's "palace" at Lake Street and Commonwealth Avenue proved a sound investment, as wealthy donors flocked to the annual Catholic Charities garden party. One can only imagine the active role Cardinal Law would have played in bringing last fall's janitors' strike to a speedy and successful conclusion had he not been diminished by scan-



dal. In the past, he had been effective in rallying legislative opposition to the death penalty and forceful in urging reconsideration of U.S. policy toward Cuba. But ironically, the archbishop's determination to stand in regal aloofness at times diminished his influence. Even faithful Catholics felt deep down that he was not really one of them, that his interests were not always theirs, that he knew them as little as they knew him. This gulf between the leader and the led was laid bare during the last year, as angry parishioners demonstrated outside Holy Cross Cathedral and priests signed an open letter calling for the resignation of the man to whom they had sworn allegiance.

The next archbishop of Boston will be chosen in Rome. We must hope, however, that officials there have learned something from the disaster of the last year. The new leader of the local Church need not have the comforting Boston accent of the interim administrator, Bishop Richard Lennon. He must, however, have the confidence of people here. He must be someone with the talent to manage the

large institution that the archdiocese is, one that provides vital services to people of all faiths and of none. Even more important, he must be a person whose experience is in the real work of the Church—saying Mass, baptizing and marrying, listening to the spiritual longing of ordinary people, offering both the comforts and the challenges of religion—rather than in the hallways of the Vatican. The next archbishop must forswear the imperial style and be as willing to learn as to teach. Only then will he be able to restore the trust in his Church that was tragically undermined during the O'Connell century.

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## CHURCH WOMEN: RECOMMENDED READING

*This list, proposed by theology professor Mary Ann Hinsdale, IHM, codirector of BC's Church in the 21st Century initiative, offers "a basic introduction" to the theology surrounding women and the Church. "Some of these books reflect the status quo," says Hinsdale, "others push the envelope. All are intellectually responsible and accessible."*

**Woman at the Altar: The Ordination of Women in the Roman Catholic Church.** By Lavinia Byrne (Continuum, 1999, 144 pp.)

**Women and Sexuality.** By Lisa Sowle Cahill (Paulist Press, 1992, 85 pp.)

**Introducing Feminist Theology.** By Anne M. Clifford (Orbis Books, 2001, 288 pp.)

**Women's Spirituality: Resources for Christian Development (2nd edition).** Edited by Joann Wolski Conn (Paulist Press, 1996, 479 pp.)

**The Church and the Second Sex (reissue) with the Feminist Postchristian Introduction and New Archaic Afterwords.** By Mary Daly (Beacon Press, 1985, 231 pp.)

**Wisdom Ways: Introducing Feminist Biblical Interpretation.** By Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza (Orbis Books, 2001, 229 pp.)

**Speaking with Authority: Catherine of Siena and the Voices of Women Today.** By Mary Catherine Hilkert (Paulist Press, 2001, 144 pp.)

**Mulieris Dignitatem ("On the Dignity and Vocation of Women").** By Pope John Paul II (Daughters of St. Paul, 1988, 120 pp.)

**The Church Women Want: Catholic Women in Dialogue.** Edited by Elizabeth A. Johnson (Crossroad, 2002, 142 pp.)

**Feminist Theology from the Third World: A Reader.** Edited by Ursula King (Orbis Books, 1994, 434 pp.)

**Freeing Theology: The Essentials of Theology in Feminist Perspective.** Edited by Catherine M. LaCugna (Harper San Francisco, 1993, 272 pp.)

**Beyond Anger: On Being a Feminist in the Church.** By Carolyn Osiek (Paulist Press, 1986, 93 pp.)

**Sexism and God-Talk: Toward a Feminist Theology (reissue).** By Rosemary Radford Ruether (Beacon Press, 1993, 289 pp.)

**Inheriting Our Mothers' Gardens: Feminist Theology in Third World Perspective.** Edited by Letty Russell, et al. (Westminster John Knox Press, 1991, 181 pp.)

**Women and the Word.** By Sandra Schneiders (Paulist Press, 1986, 81 pp.)

**New Catholic Women: A Contemporary Challenge to Traditional Religious Authority (reprint).** By Mary Jo Weaver (Indiana University Press, 1996, 272 pp.)



# Family matters

AN EVENING WITH THE VICTIMS

The middle-aged woman in the casual pants suit who paced at the front of the lecture hall in Merkert Chemistry Building looked like someone you might expect to see at a high school PTA meeting. So did the three men with her, in their dark suits and ties. All, in fact, were solid suburban parents in their forties or fifties. But the four had something else in common: Each had been sexually assaulted as an adolescent by a Catholic priest; each had spent years in denial and then recovery; and each now speaks publicly and often of the painful experience that binds them, in order to educate others and make such suffering less likely in the future.

They were at Boston College on the evening of November 7 to tell their stories. The accounts they gave to a hushed audience of 60 or so were heartbreaking and horrific. Susan Renehan, who said she had been stalked and sexually abused by a priest in New Jersey for three years beginning at age 11, later helped found a local victims organization, Coalition of Catholics and Survivors. Although she went to daily Mass during Lent before being abused, she said she has never felt at home in the Church since. She said her spiritual needs are met now by a 12-step recovery group.

The three Massachusetts men who spoke remain Catholic to varying degrees, with the deepest expressions of devotion coming from Thomas Fulchino '68 of Weston. Fulchino, a father of six, told a gruesome story: In 1960, at age 12, he was molested by the defrocked priest James Porter, and in the 1980s his son was molested by the defrocked priest John Geoghan, whose assaults were publicly reported in 2002, launching the current sexual abuse scandal.

Fulchino said he believed his going public has enabled "hundreds of grown men and women" to tell their stories. "You wonder how it could be possible that so many children for so many years could be molested by a group of predators who were Catholic priests, priests who teach the word of God, who supposedly carry out the teachings of the Church, priests who were considered next to God in the eyes of their victims?" he asked rhetorically. And he proceeded to relate the deviousness with which his son was abused. He said Geoghan would visit CCD classes, rewarding boys who answered his questions with quarters. Fulchino said that his son, who had a learning

disability, did not usually raise his hand. "But on that frightful Sunday morning," he said, "Geoghan's question was, 'Can you name Mary's son?'" Eagerly, Christopher raised his hand. For the first time, he knew the answer."

Fulchino's son was told that, to get his quarters, he had to visit Geoghan in the rectory for cookies and milk. Fulchino said that when his son arrived, Geoghan ordered him to sit in his lap for a prayer because there was only one chair. Geoghan then gripped his son and raped him, said Fulchino.

The other men who spoke, William Gately of Plymouth and Steve Lewis of Lynn, also told stories of having their boyhood trust in priests broken by sexual exploitation. Neither felt able to report the abuse and suffered alone in silence for years.

In remarks afterward, Ann Burgess, BC professor of psychiatric nursing, said that sexual abuse by priests should probably be considered a form of incest. A hallmark of incest, she said, is divided loyalty in a family after incest is discovered. The Church, she noted, has been torn in its loyalties too.

"The dynamics are similar," said Burgess. "When you have a named abuser and a named victim in a family, family members have to side with one or the other. You really can't be loyal to both parties. With the Church, its leaders have basically sided with the priests, the 'fathers' if you will, by keeping abusive priests in the system without really addressing the problem."

Another dynamic, she said, is the fear of public reaction that often keeps incest quiet. "As in a family, I'm sure that there were people in the Church who thought, 'What will people think? Let's just keep this quiet.'"

Fulchino said that even his horrifying experience could not drive him away from Catholicism. "It's just a part of who I am," he said, adding that faith "is as important to me as it is" to the bishops.

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# Afterwords

## THE LEGACY OF CARDINAL BERNARD LAW

*On December 13, 2002, the day on which the resignation of Boston's Cardinal Bernard Law was announced, three BC theologians met with some 15 members of the local and national press in Burns Library. The press conference was carried live on regional television. The faculty were Stephen Pope, Thomas Groome, and visiting scholar Keith Pecklers, SJ. The following is an edited transcript of their responses to reporters' questions.*

### FIRST THOUGHTS

*Pope:* Most immediately, I would liken our experience today to someone who has gone through the first round of chemotherapy: who's very sick, who's received good medical attention, and who knows there are going to be future cycles of chemotherapy—it has to be done for the health of the body. There is no rejoicing in Boston today. But there is relief that something has begun that will lead to healing.

I also think that bishops who had been auxiliaries in Boston under Cardinal Law and are now heading dioceses are going to get a lot of scrutiny. And I think that the next archbishop of Boston is going to face tremendous challenges: issues of solvency, a priesthood and a laity that are discouraged, and the need to build bridges and reconcile with victims and their families. It's going to be the most difficult appointment in the pontificate of John Paul II.

*Groome:* I think there will be fallout, but I don't think it will sweep aside all of [Law's] lieutenants who were appointed bishops. I think they will be judged individually on how they're presently handling the situation. I would also imagine that someone like Cardinal Desmond O'Connell of Dublin sits uneasy today because he's accused of very similar negligence.

*Pecklers:* I'm thinking of the healing that needs to take place. It's going to take a long, long time. The victims of abuse, the survivors, their families, all of those who have been touched by this; the credibility loss for the Catholic Church, not just in Boston, but throughout the whole world. It's going to take a long time.

### REASONS TO HOPE

*Pecklers:* We find ourselves at a turning point, and my hope is that we might take a closer look at the role of the laity. I'm

thinking about Vatican II teachings with their strong emphasis on lay collaboration with the clergy.

Illustrative of this turning point are groups like Voice of the Faithful, which is made up of very mainstream Catholics for the most part, cornerstones of their parishes, who are not looking to change doctrine or dogma, but to have a greater voice in the life of the local church that they support with their hearts and their dollars.

*Groome:* There are rich resources for reform and renewal. Take, for example, the appointment of bishops. The tradition at its best is that the bishop is drawn from the local Church. That sounds quite radical in today's context. But in fact, it's thoroughly traditional. The most common practice throughout the Church's history was that the local priests had a significant voice in the selection of their bishop. And most often, the new bishop was a priest of the diocese he would serve—the notable exception being the bishop of Rome.

Likewise, it is clear that in early Christian communities, the people had a voice. That's not how it's been done of late, where somebody gets a nod and a wink because they've served faithfully as a lieutenant to a powerful power broker within the Church. That has to stop. In fact, I believe neglect of the deep tradition has contributed to this sorry crisis and scandal. Returning to the old tradition will be a path to renewal.

*Pope:* A lot will depend on how the bishops conduct themselves. One of the difficulties over the last 11 months has been that some bishops have set up obstacles to disclosure of information. And the more the Church seems to be withholding the truth, the more it puts itself in a position of being defensive and of seeming not to care.

I think most bishops are aware of this. The background to the obstruction is a way of looking at the Church as isolated from, and superior to, civil society. And that really is not the Church that you find described in documents of the Second Vatican Council, where you have a view of the Church as a community among other communities, accountable for its actions to others and to its own members. I believe it's time for the institutional authorities to say, "We've had enough. We're going to do everything we can



to give you all the information that we have, and we're going to start a new way of thinking about how we're going to be a Church."

## ROME AND AMERICA

*Pecklers:* There are really two worldviews in Rome: the North American mind-set and the European mind-set. The Vatican very much typifies a European view regarding the media and regarding democracy. Those of us who are American Catholics are accustomed to democracy and to having a voice in decision making. But the Church is not a democracy, and when the Vatican gets a sense that the American Church, for example, is trying to function a bit too democratically, with a large number of people calling for the resignation of their bishop, it becomes very nervous.

As far as the media goes, the Vatican views matters quite differently than we do. Its view was reflected, for example, by Cardinal [Oscar] Rodriguez, from Honduras, who said [the scandal] was simply a media invention.

*Groome:* What Keith was saying earlier about lay representation in the governance and oversight of this Church is important. It's a theology that goes back to Paul's letters to the Corinthians and to the Romans, saying that by baptism everybody has a right and a responsibility to participate fully in the mission and ministry of the Church. In this Church, nobody is any more baptized than anybody else. The theology for this right of the people to be heard and to participate in Church oversight was reestablished by Vatican II, and was reiterated canonically by the revised Code of Canon Law (1983).

Of course the Church isn't a democracy. Power in the Church comes from God, rather than from the will of the people. On the other hand, when the disciples were jockeying for authority in the community, Jesus said to them, "It's not to be that way among you. You're not to lord it over each other."

So while it might be difficult to make an argument for democracy from the New Testament, I don't think you can make an argument for monarchy from the New Testament either. And the Church as it presently functions in its polity often looks more like a monarchy than the servant leadership proposed by Jesus.

## DISSENT AND SCHISM

*Groome:* I'm not worried about schism arising from the current dissatisfaction with the Church.

I have never feared that the Voice of the Faithful, for example, might become schismatic or heretical. It's interesting that in the history of the Church, most of the major heresies have been right-wing movements: Gnosticism, Docetism, Manichaeism, Albigensianism, Jansenism. We always think

that heresy comes from the left. Historically that has not been the case. I am much more worried about Mother Angelica staying within the Church than about the Voice of the Faithful.

*Pecklers:* The fact of the matter is that in the Catholic Church we do have a fringe on the left, a radical group. But these are not the people, for the most part, in the Voice of the Faithful constituency. I think numbers alone suggest something. Here's a group that went from 40 to 25,000 members in less than a year. You're talking about mainstream parishioners: doctors, lawyers, working people. I know several rather conservative members of the group, and they joined because they are caught up in the same situation as everyone else.

*Pope:* I really believe the issues are not doctrinal. When it comes to Voice of the Faithful or the Boston Priests' Forum or all the turmoil in the Church right now, no one is saying we should do away with the form of Church that was the product of hundreds of years of evolution. No one is saying we shouldn't have priests or archbishops or the pope. I think the issue is style of leadership, a recognition that leadership in the 21st century has to be based on trust, on mutual respect, on persuasion rather than coercion. That's not a theological debate. It's coming from a view of the Church as a communion, which is as orthodox as you can be.

## HISTORY'S JUDGMENT

*Pecklers:* It's important that we see the full picture. Cardinal Law was a very good priest. He was committed to the civil rights movement in the 1960s. He was committed to work with immigrants and the poor. He did tremendous work internationally, and ecumenically with Protestants and other Christians. And he was a great bridge-builder to the Jewish community.

*Pope:* As Keith notes, Cardinal Law has been outstanding on a number of issues, including Christian-Jewish relations and relations between Catholics and other Christians. I do think his legacy is going to be like Herbert Hoover's. What do you remember about Hoover? Well, you remember the Great Depression. And I think this is a Great Depression for the Catholic Church. We'll recover, but there can be no way that the biggest scandal in the history of the American Church doesn't become the headline in Cardinal Law's biography.

*Groome:* It may take 50 years, but I like to hope that history will judge him within the social, political, and cultural context of his time. I hope he gets credit for the many good things he did and achieved. Undoubtedly, he embraced a strong clericalism, the type of culture that would encourage him to cover up clergy scandal, which in the end caused greater scandal. But I would hope that this is not the only thing for which he is remembered. ♦





CARY WAYNE GILBERT

# Battle-scarred

Fifty-eight years later, factions in Japan are still fighting the war  
says BC historian Franziska Seraphim

An interview by Dennis Hale

**By now, has Japan fully confronted its wartime past?**

There never has been a national consensus in Japan, even on the state level, about what World War II meant to the country. Nor is there agreement on what Japan's role in Asia was before the war, or what it should be now.

Rather, from the very beginning of the postwar period in Japan, different groups have embraced specific and contradictory versions of the past for their own political purposes. At its core, Japanese memory of the war has been contentious.

By contrast, the West German government has formulated a national consensus on German culpability in World War II, for international consumption. And the Japanese have compared themselves to the Germans *continually* in this regard. They've done it most intensely since West German president Richard von Weizsäcker's speech to the Bundestag in 1985, in which he laid out very eloquently what it meant to take responsibility for the Holocaust.

Weizsäcker's speech was immediately translated into Japanese, and the

Japanese Left made a big thing of it. "Why haven't we done this?" the Left asked. "Why don't we have a Weizsäcker in Japan?"

The Japanese tend to be more conscious of the lengthening postwar period, the meaning of which is also hotly contested. In 1995, for example, the Japanese officially commemorated not only the end of World War II, but *sengo gojunen*, 50 years of postwar. The year 1995 also marked the 100th anniversary of victory in the Sino-Japanese War. This was significant, because in stressing the anniversary of a victo-



ry and not just a defeat, the Japanese began to discuss something that previously had been missing in the historical debate in postwar Japan: namely, prewar Japanese imperialism and colonialism in Asia.

**Why have the Germans succeeded where the Japanese have failed?**

The official West German expressions of regret over the Holocaust, which began with Chancellor Konrad Adenauer within a decade after the war, were critical to establishing a viable place for Germany in the European community. Without this, no economic or political rehabilitation would have been possible. Japan's very close relationship with the United States, on the other hand, inhibited relations with its neighbors. The country's most important wartime victims, China and part of Korea, were on the other side of the communist Bamboo Curtain. So, because they could get away with it, the Japanese were generally silent about the past.

But times have changed. Japan's former conquests are now much stronger than they were. China is no longer isolated. And old enemies have become good at pushing war-era issues onto Japan's political agenda, especially since the 1980s. The "comfort women"—the hundreds of thousands of Asian women, mainly Koreans, forced into sexual slavery by the Japanese military—are a good example. Books on the comfort women were published in Japan as early as 1976, yet they made no splash until the early 1990s, when the topic exploded into international consciousness. At that point, under public pressure, the government did create a private fund to give compensation to former comfort women—the few who were still alive—and opened a historical documentation center to promote research on Japan's war in Asia. These projects met with strong opposition from both the Right and the Left in Japan, though, for different reasons,

and never became an effective way for the government to make amends.

**How have Japanese school textbooks reflected the war?**

Textbooks have been a major battleground in Japan ever since the war. The most famous protest consisted of several court cases that were brought against the government by the historian Saburo Ienaga and supported by prominent organizations across the liberal and communist Left. Ienaga's battles began in 1965, when he sued the Ministry of Education for removing references in his textbook to the use of Chinese prisoners as guinea pigs in horrific medical experiments during the war. In 1997, the Japanese Supreme Court finally ruled in favor of Ienaga, but it did not go so far as to declare *all* government censorship of textbooks illegal.

**What about images of World War II in popular culture—in movies, for instance?**

The war is such a touchy subject that many Japanese filmmakers have avoided it altogether by going back to medieval and early modern Japan for their settings. *The Seven Samurai*, by the great director Akira Kurosawa, is an example of this. The films that do take place during the war focus mostly on the little stories, the sufferings of ordinary people. Another common theme in postwar movies, which is war related but not politically divisive, is the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki and the aftermath of nuclear devastation. The horror movies of the 1950s—the cavalcade of screen creatures, such as Godzilla, made into terrifying monsters by atomic radiation—all played off that theme.

This is not to say that the Japanese didn't make any movies explicitly critical of the war. There are many. Perhaps the greatest antiwar film made in Japan is *The Human Condition*, Masaki Kobayashi's epic, which came out in 1959. It was a huge hit at the time and remains a classic in Japan.

**One of Japan's internal disagreements has to be about the armed forces. When will Japan have a regular military?**

Japan *does* have a full-fledged military, although they don't call it that. They call it a self-defense force.

**When are they going to take away the fig leaf?**

Well, the notion of a self-defense force is closely connected to a cornerstone of postwar Japan, namely, Article 9 of the constitution—the renunciation of the right to wage war. Japan's conservative leadership has long wanted to revise the constitution but has met with popular opposition. So your question would immediately be identified in Japan as having a conservative bias.

Since the end of the Cold War, though, this debate has taken on a new dimension. The term now used for restoration of the military is *normalization*. Can Japan become a "normal" country? At stake is Japan's political profile as a world power, which requires, for example, active participation in international peacekeeping operations. Old-style nationalists, of course, see their chance to rewrite a constitution imposed by a foreign power in the aftermath of humiliating defeat. Old-style pacifists cling to Article 9 as the most important lesson learned from that defeat, and oppose sending Japanese troops abroad.

Then there is an outspoken constituency on the moderate Left that says, yes, we can be normal, but we cannot get there without first taking care of what has been left undone from the *last* war—be that a sincere apology by the government or full compensation to war victims or a more forthcoming treatment of Japan's wartime aggression in school textbooks.

**I can't resist asking a what-if. How would things be different today if there had been no occupation of Japan after the defeat?**

Without the American Occupation there might actually have been a civil



war in Japan, as almost happened in Italy, and as did happen in Korea.

Japan's defeat in the war resurrected huge ideological differences, rather than producing one uniform way of thinking about the nation. We used to think that Japanese Fascism was pervasive, that virtually everybody had jumped on the bandwagon and would therefore have to be taken off all together and all at once. But ultranationalism had not had a very long career in Japan. It materialized as the dominant force there only in the late 1930s. The wartime generation could easily remember a time, two decades earlier, when labor unionism and liberalism had both made great progress. Those same defeated liberals, socialists, feminists, and union leaders became the heroes of the immediate postwar period. The ones who had been imprisoned by the militarists and then liberated under the Occupation became the biggest heroes of all.

#### **How successful were the reforms put in place under the Occupation?**

The Americans did not completely remake institutions in Japan, and much of Japan's postwar success is actually better explained by certain legacies of the wartime state than by specific Occupation reforms.

Undoubtedly the most important reform was the most basic—the set of civil liberties first laid down in the Bill of Rights in October 1945 and later anchored in the constitution. The new constitution established popular sovereignty for the first time and cast the emperor as a symbol of the Japanese state, with representational but no overt political power.

Then the Tokyo War Crimes Trial, which prosecuted and punished Japanese wartime leaders as Class A war criminals, had a strong symbolic impact. The land reforms, under which large tracts of land were seized and redistributed among the farmers, made a lasting difference both economically and politically. But education reform,

while it partially decentralized the system and brought in new textbooks, didn't do much to disturb the bureaucracy. And economic reforms aimed at breaking up the big business conglomerates never materialized.

This was because what loomed largest for American policy makers by 1947 was not the ideal of democratizing a former enemy, but of turning that enemy into a strong and stable ally in the deepening Cold War. That meant re-enlisting Japan's most experienced elite—bureaucrats, conservative politicians, industry executives—who had learned their skills administering an empire and waging total war against the West.

As a result of this shift, the liberal Left that had benefited from the first phase of the Occupation lost serious ground in the next—while those on the Right who had been imprisoned in 1945 and branded as militarists came out on top again just a few years later. These reversals were highly disorienting to many Japanese.

All of this is relevant to the memory debate. Indirectly, as it turned out, the Occupation authorities encouraged the Japanese to forget about their war conduct, and even about war crimes such as biological warfare in Manchuria and the comfort women.

Of course, this doesn't let the Japanese off the hook for not delving into those problems more deeply themselves. But it does go some way toward explaining why notions of wartime responsibility became understood in the public mind as a selective political tool, rather than a universal ethical imperative.

#### **So the Japanese need to come to terms with the United States as a presence in their history—like the elephant in the living room?**

Yes, with both the good and the bad. In many of the symposia that I attended during the anniversary observances in 1995, I noticed a collective unhappiness with the American presence. Some people complained, "In what

other country is nationalism so weak? We Japanese have lost what it takes to build pride in our country."

Others went to the other extreme and said, "The Americans instituted certain political rights and human rights that we did not have to fight for. They did this *for us*, but they took away our chance to make our own revolution." Take women, for example. "Here, go and vote," the Americans said, "you have the right now." But women had not fought enough for this right really to make it their own. And some felt it would have been better if the Americans had not just handed it to them.

#### **And our image of "Japan, Inc.," a people completely united behind a single national vision, is—**

A bunch of baloney! I argue about this with my students all the time, because many American textbooks still talk this way. Some of my students get impatient when I teach early-20th-century Japan and discuss the feminists or the socialists. The students will say, "Well, women had no power in Japan until practically yesterday, and Japan isn't a socialist country, so what's the point of teaching about the feminists and socialists? They lost, so who cares?"

But if you don't understand the history, you can't appreciate how, in the initial postwar years, the Japanese went back precisely to those earlier debates about modernity and about civil rights. They were trying, you see, to revive their own indigenous experiments with democracy—and to use *them*, not just Occupation reforms, to rebuild their country. The question for the Japanese remains, How far have we come? That's what the debate over war memory is all about.

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# Hizzoner

MINNEAPOLIS'S R.T. RYBAK '78



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R.T. Rybak entered Boston College knowing, he says, “what I wanted to be—the mayor of Minneapolis.” But even a few years ago, practically nobody in Minneapolis suspected that would come to pass. Then, in 2001, the former alternative-newspaper publisher and Internet consultant rocked the city’s political landscape by handily defeating the incumbent mayor. Outspent nearly two to one by his opponent, Rybak campaigned with an agenda focused on affordable housing, environmental planning, and the redesign of such basic services as snow removal and the issuing of city permits. Since his election, Rybak has maintained his grass-roots energy and accessibility. His home number is listed in the phone book.

For most of a recent Friday, Rybak’s schedule was as typical as it gets: a morning meeting with the city’s representatives in the state legislature; a city council session on the current housing shortage; discussions with representatives of Minneapolis’s sizeable American Indian population dissatisfied with the quality of police protection in their neighborhoods; dinner with the NAACP. Then came word that an 11-year-old girl had died after a stray bullet lodged in her chest as she sat at her dining room table doing homework. Rybak rushed to the hospital and announced the girl’s death

to the press. Two days later, he hosted her grieving family at his house. His children, ages 13 and 11, spent time with the victim’s siblings.

Rybak says his mayoral training began decades ago, during trips from his childhood home in a bucolic south Minneapolis neighborhood to his father’s drugstore in the inner city. He reluctantly put off his ambition as an adult, when he realized how hard the mayor’s job would be on his wife and young children. “Nobody who runs for office is pro-family, because running for office is a terrible thing to do to your family,” he once said.

Since the election, Rybak has discovered that being mayor is *good* for his family. He’s home nearly every night for dinner and his children’s bedtime. And his kids often accompany him to events, including, recently, a feast in his honor sponsored by the city’s Somali community, and a Latino summit. “The office,” he says, “has given my family the chance to be a part of something a lot bigger than just the four of us.”

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# Turning point



*In Carney Dining Hall (from left): McIntyre Professor J. Robert Barth, SJ; Lillian Brennan Carney and trustee Patrick Carney '70; University Chaplain James D. Erps, SJ; and Philosophy Department chair Thomas S. Hibbs. Photograph by Gary Wayne Gilbert.*

## LASTING HERITAGE

Patrick Carney's first major gift to the University named the student dining hall in McElroy Commons in memory of his late father, Hugh J. Carney. Over the years, Pat and Lillian Carney have extended their legacy. Their gifts have funded the James P. McIntyre Chair in the English Department; the Frederick J. Adelmann, SJ, Chair in Philosophy; and the Welles R. Crowther '99 Directorship of Volunteer and Service Learning, named for an alumnus who perished at the World Trade Center. Mr. and Mrs. Carney have influenced BC in other ways as well: They are the parents of Patrick '95, Kathleen '98, Colleen '99, and Edward '05.

